S banks raise prime lending rates o record 19 per cent

ing American banks reacted President's weekend antin package by raising their ending rates to a record 19 it, with warnings that still rates are possible. Closer scrutiny of the package's figures brought an angry reaction from Congressmen, particularly conservatives, as it appeared the White House was trying to balance the budget by tax increases

Doubts over Carter package

mics Correspondent m. March 18 lase Manhattan Bank

prime lending rate n 181 per cent to a vel of 19 per cent, weekend announceghter credit measures deral Reserve Board. arris Trust and the onal Bank of Chicago prime rates from 181 to 19 per cent and ks across the country cted to take similar con. Stock markets ted in early trading, ready discounted the ases and reacting, to tent, to yesterday's

which has raised its rate by 1.75 points to ont, is expected to anti-inflationary including curbs ea inding and price coniness News, page 17) l. lget picture on Capitol ecome more confused.
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positive, but today evidence that the hanging as it became clear that the ise is trying to attain lance by tax increases s it claims, by spend-

iks are being forced pressures to raise failing to generate Citicorp, the cond largest banking reased its quarterly

cantly ".

The decline reflects " the current unsettled condition of the securities markets and the impact of domestic money market interest rate levels on the fixed portion of Citcorp's loan port-folio", the company said.

Chase Manhattan asserted that today's prime rate increase does not fully reflect the increased ost of the bank's

funds " nor does it include any immediate additional costs resulting from the specific actions announced over the weekend. This statement and that by Citicorp point unmis-takably to still higher prime

rates. White House budget figures provoked angry comments from conservative politicians and intense scrutiny on Wall Street. In January, the President an-nounced public spending for the present fiscal year and the 1981 fiscal year combined of

1981 fiscal year combined of \$1,118,000m. It now appears that exactly the same total is reached from calculating the White House figures included in this weekend's new budget. The White House sharply underestimated its figures in January. Inflation and revised spending totals should have added \$6,000m to the present year's total and about \$9,500m to the 1981 fiscal year total. to the 1981 fiscal year total. The new package cuts \$2,000m from the 1980 budget outlay and \$13,500m from 1981 spending the newly-announced spending cuts do nothing more than off-set precisely the revised in-creases in outlay in the original

first quarter earnings are exappears that the only way the pected to be down signifi- budget will be balanced is by means of tax increases. These increases, for both fiscal years combined, amount to about 533 CO2m—new tax measures of 515,002m plus higher tax rerenues resulting from higher

> mated in January's budget. The Wall Street Journal, in a The Wall Street Journal, in a leading article today, suggested that a look at the numbers showed that the President's package, presented as a series of spending cuts, is a "fraud." Republican Congressmen are mounting a campaign attacking

inilation than originally esti-

the tax increases. The Democrats in the House The Democrats in the House of Representatives are planning assorted income and business tax-cutting plans to be financed by the \$13,000m in energy tax revenues from the remainder of this year and all of the 1981 fiscal year.

The delay at the White House

The delay at the White House in sending all budget details to Congress has infuriated Congressmen. As a result, there are grassmen. As a result, there are moves on Capitol Hill to promote a budget programme written entirely by Congress. ignoring the President's detailed plans. So there can be no surprise at the scepticism on Wall Street towards the latest White

House efforts. On the economic front, there was one more scrap of evidence that the new budget and Fed programme will push the economy into a slump. The Commerce Department reported cuts do nothing more than offset precisely the revised increases in outlay in the original

January budget.

Under these circumstances it

Commerce Department reported
that personal incomes rose by
just 0.3 per cent in February—
the smallest monthly gain since
July 1975, and less than January's increase of 0.8 per cent.

events", he said. 5 Thatcher's threat to hold back T in Brussels budget dispute

Yesterday there was no mention of the legal difficulties nor any sign of much reluctance on the part of the "We feel a duty and we be-

Michael Hornsby writes from Brussels: Britain moved closer to the brink of a total breach in its relations with the rest of the EEC as Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, gave a warning here today of "grave consequences" for the Community if the British budget problem was not solved at the next summit meeting of the

this year.

Lord Carrington told his EEC colleagues that the Government would not be satisfied with anything less than "very than "very towards towards" towards substantial progress" towards agreement on both the amount and the duration of financial relief for Britain at the spring summit meeting on March 31 and April 1.

While taking the view that it was always wrong to talk of Lord Carington none the less described the Brussels summit as "the moment when (the budget problem) has got to be

Parliamentary report, page 6

Anti-Soviet nations draw up list of sites

Geneva, March 18

The international movement to boycott the Olympic Games to boycolt the Olympic Games in Moscow is going to organize a world sports festival for athletes who decide not to go to Russia, it was decided today.

The festival will, however, be open to all and will be held after the Moscow Olympics hut, as Mallord Guilar special adviser.

Mr Lloyd Cutier, special adviser to President Carter, put it:
"They would pose no threat to the future of the unitary Olym-

This, he said, was "a future to which all governments pre-sent at this meeting are as fully dedicated as any other govern-ments in the world. They would not, in any sense, be counter-Olympics ".

A dozen countries at meetings organized by the United States, Britain and Australia. have drawn up a list of possible sites for top-class sporting events in August and September. The locations are being kept secret for a while.

"What we have to do now, as a result of these meetings, is to get in touch with the various sporting organizations, some national, some international, Mr Douglas Hurd the British representative and Minister of State at the Foreign Office said.

"We have divided up the task. We all know, sport by sport, who has to talk to whom. We will compare notes again when that particular process is finished."

If there was disappointment If there was disappointment at the sparse attendance from among the 25 countries who have been discussing alternative Olympics, the sponsors claimed "rather more progress than expected". They say that as many nations again are now considering whether to favour a hoveout. a boycott.

"In some sports, opportu-"In some sports, opportu-nines are already on the post-Olympics schedule of inter-national sporting events. In other sports, suitable oppor-tunities can be arranged", Mr Cutler said. He added that the festival could be financed by the sale of television rights. the sale of television rights.

"We have had expert profes sional advice on the technical and financial aspects of tele-vision link-ups and on arrangements with sports authorities and promoters who would be responsible for conducting such

events , he said,

Mr David Wolper, the American relevision producer of "Roots" and the official film of the 1972 Munich Olympics, acted as technical adviser at the meeting.

He said he saw no problems in tying five or six different sports events into world-wide sports events into world-wide

Mr Wolper is a vice-chairman of the Los Angeles Organizing Committee which negotiated the sale of television rights for the 1984 Olympic Games. coverage.

Mr Cutler emphasized that th boycott issue was not the subject of today's meeting. "We all recognize the problem that decisions not to attend the Moscow games would create for the athletes," he said.

lieve, in rime, others will feel a duty, to see what can be done for those athletes to provide them with equivalent world-class competitive opportunities and recognition." Each government and each national Olympic committee would have to make committee would have to make its own decision.

dispute yesterday about the hostel's precise status and whose job it was to enforce fire

Mr George Agathangelou, owner of the neighbouring La Rochelle hotel in Salisbury Road, Kilburn, who used his own extinguishers to fight the fire, said: "There were no fire presenting.

Mr Alan Marshall, assistant

the building.

Brent council, which has

that fiare precautions were the responsibility of the fire

precautions,

responsibility brigade.

A proposal for a committee of inquiry into the national steel strike, now in its 12th week, will be considered tonight by the all-union coordinating committee that is running the trade union coordinating committee of 10 members, which meets tonight to consider its The idea is to be put forward by leaders of the dominant Iron and Steel Trades Confederation and the National Union of Rlassfurnacemen, whose joint A committee of inquiry executives yesterday went through the ritual of rejecting would val of BSC management, nor of the Government. recommendations would the British Steel Corporation's final" offer of 14.4 per cent.

recommendations morally, rather than legally, bindin2. The chances of such an instrument producing a rapid solution to the drawn-out dispute would depend on its terms of reference. BSC would

almost certainly oppose any wideranging remit that ques-tioned the corporation's ability broken.
Officials of the ISTC have been looking for some time at prospective independent chairmen who might head the inquiry, assisted by two nomito run the industry.

If British Steel spurns the idea of an inquiry—as is

party mediating in strike deadlock nees, one from the unions and one from the corporation. This is regarded as more satisfactory than a single mediator.

With the near-unanimous backing of leaders of the blast

With the near-unanimous hacking of leaders of the biast-furnacemen and steelmen, the proposal must stand a strong chance of being adopted by the There is little guidance in the ISTC rule book on this issue, but a branch ballot issue, but a branch ballot might be mounted quickly to produce a vote supporting union policy and rejecting the corporation's pay and productivity package. The confederation has already booked advertising space in news-

advertising space in news-papers that circulate in the steel-making areas to pub-licize its view of the BSC be proposals. A conference with 58 dele-

representing TGWU steelworkers yesterday voted unanimously to reject the BSC package offer put forward last week in return for demanning, job flexibility, and local pro-ductivity bargaining.

Other steel news, page 2 l of no return.



Victims of hostel fire were trapped

By Nicholas Timmins Nine women died and three were injured when fire swept through a north London hostel run by nuns for homeless and destitute women early yester-

day morning.
Neighbours and firemen in breathing apparatus struggled to save the 21 occupants of the three-storey terraced house.

the three-storey terraced house. Eight women who were trapped on the top floor are presumed to have been overcome by smoke. A ninth died on the way to hospital. Neighbours with ladders helped women down from the first floor windows, and firemen carried three to safety as flames swept through the building at about 5.30 am.

A proposal for a committee of

A committee of inquiry, which would recommend ways

of reconciling the two sides, now seems the strongest runner of the many forms that third party intervention might

take, if the deadlock is to be broken.

By Paul Routledge,

Labeur Editor.

dispute.

The hostel has been run by the Missionaries of Charity, followers of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, since 1974. But there was cutta, since 1974 But there was considered to hostel had been approved last year on condition A council spokesman said an approver last year, on condition the accommodation was for 10

But a London Fire Brigade official said 22 heds were found in the burnt-out hostel, and police believe 21 women were

resident.
The fire brigade said that The lire brigade said that the building was not covered by the regulations governing hotels and gust-houses, and fire precautions were the local authority's responsibility.

For its part, the Missionaries of Chaire in a statement issued

Mr Alan Marshall, assistant divisional officer with the London Fire Brigade, said: "There appears to be some ommission on fire precautions, and certainly there was no evidence of a fire escape from the building. of Charity in a statement issued by their sister superior in Eng-land. Sister Marie Celline, said Brent council had granted per-mission for the continued use of the building a sa hostel on used the hostel for short-term accommodation for destitute women on occasion, claimed that figure processing, claimed January 8 this year.
Brent Council said it had ad-

vised the sisters to talk to fire prevention officers to see that the hostel complied with the code of practice, and the Lon-

don Fire Brigade confirmed that recommendations bringing the bostel up to the standard for hotels, with means old es-cape, fireproof doors, and an enclosed staircase, had been sent to the sisters' architect on

But a spokesman for Sister Marie said these had not be in received and the architect was February 4. in Taiwan.

firent council promised on urgent inquiry into the situa-

hir Alan Preece, director of housing for Erent, said it 1,21 not the council's policy to p'2,22 people in short-stay accommodiant tion without proper file pro-cautions, and that a survey had cautions, and that a survey had been started before yesterday's fire into the various voluntary groups, like the Missionaries of Charity, that the council occasionally used—in this case two or three times in the past year.

"We have got to ensure that the accommodation is adequate

Continued on page 2, col 3

Steel union leaders to consider third Tito blood worsens

From Dessa Trevisan

rom Dessa Trevisal
Belgrade, March 18
President Tito's condition,
stable for the past two days,
today took a further turn for the worse as the internal bleeding, especially in the stomach, became heavier.
The increased bleeding is adding new complications to the

intensive treatment which Marshal Tito has been receiving Today's medical report disclosed a further deterioration in his condition caused by "extensive harmorrhage" in the news- | SIVE stomach which, his doctors said, is the result of a general inclination towards internal bleeding. After a sudden setback in President Tito's recovery from the amputation of a leg. his health has been slowly worsening. On February 14, he was for the first time reported to have reached a critical point, but the following day he reconded to

following day he responded to intensive treatment.

Nevertheless, it was then that the President reached the point

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Minister, unbedged buts or qualifications there was no sign Thatcher of any s there a willingness

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withholding part of Value Added Tax con-

if there was not an solution to the British

the issue as part of nmunity disputes, in of avoiding a illision with Britain's ners at the next sumng of heads of state is on March 31 which nment is hoping will matter. hatcher's reply indi-usiderable toughening

e British attitude in to growing pressure. but increasingly from rvative banckbenches

yesterday's statement ered off by the first of the day to the nister from Mr Ivor Conservative MP ley, Orpington. ned her that unless a successful outcome gotiations in Brussels ild be a growing de-

his country for a part, tole, of our VAT con-



tributions to the EEC to be

Mrs Thatcher confirmed that Mrs inatther communications if there were no change our net contributions to the budget would be £1,100m or more.

Last week, asked the same question about withholding VAT contributions by Mr James Cal-laghan, Leader of the Opposi-tion, Mrs Thatcher merely tion, Mrs Thatcher merely replied that an unacceptable position had arisen and it was up to the Community to find

a solution.

The Labour leader told her that she had the support of the whole House in demanding a reduction in our payments.

After the Dublin summit in December, Mrs Thatcher played down the measures available to Britain if we did not get

As recently as February 25 in a Panorana interview with Mr Robin Day, Mrs Thatcher satisfaction. said she was not really willing to consider withholding VAT

contributions because it would mean breaking Community law and she would be loathe to do that.
She then added that the only

other means open to the Government was to be "difficult in every single field and "rhat would really tear the Community apart ".

Prime Minister.

Britain is asking for a reduction of between £900m and £1,000m in its net contribution to the budget, which is predicted to reach at least £1,200m

M Chirac's attack, page 7 appeal was broadcast.



Schild: Mrs shown on television as her

Mrs Schild pleads with daughter's kidnappers in addition to that already made

From John Earle Rome, March 18 Mrs Daphne Schild appealed on Italian radio today for the release of her daughter Anna-

Mrs Schild, her husband Mr Rolf Schild, and her daughter, who is deaf and dumb, were kidnapped from their holiday villa in Sardinia last August. Mr Schild was freed soon after-wards and Mrs Schild was released in January after a ransom payment.
Mrs Schild said she could

not believe that human beings would remain insensible to the desperate appeal of a mother,

by the Pope on Sunday. "We on our side have done everything you asked", she said. "We have sold everything we had to pay the exorbitant sum agreed, trusting your word. "It is time that you also respect your own word, also because, beyond any illusion that might arise among all the that might arise among all the rumours and news put around in these days, we have no more money nor possibility of obtaining any. My daughter is alone

for many months, in your hands. Give her back to us and allow her—she who has already suffered so much—to continue her young life."

£1m refunded after 'unfair' credit deals

Credit and rental companies have refunded more than film to customers refunded more than the who have been treated unfairly, the Office of Fair Trading said. The Office was an "unexpected compensation was an "unexpected spin-off" of issuing licences under the

is expected to return to the investiga-

Consumer Credit Act, 1974, a process much criticized in the past as a wasteful, bureaucratic procedure

tion in midsummer Paris: Better conflict rages over whether France should commemorate the end of the Algerian war modernization programme in China

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er of Ayatollah Khomeini has gise claiming that there was n last Friday's parliamentary tin a telegram to President Ayatoliah Morteza Passawid representatives of the publican Party had cheated ctions in his nome town of n central Iran, accusing them Page 8 ating voters

Ukrainian bishops called to Rome

There is speculation in Rome that the Pope might consider the recognition of a Parriarch to head the 2-million-strong Catholic Church of the Byzantine-Ukrainian Rite. Hitherto popes have withheld approval, presumably for fear of exacerbating the Soviet and Orthodox authorities. A synod of the rite in exile begins in Rome next Monday Page 7

Leicestershire

Manx liberation

Vale pits 'not needed' Committee on Energy told the inquiry into the National Coal Board's plan to mine in the Vale of Belvoir that the falling energy demands and the board's

An adviser to the Commons Select project was unnecessary in the light of failure to prove there were adequate markets for the coal under north-cest

Moves towards greater independence

for the Isle of Man are being closely

watched by other island communities

in Europe, particularly by Shetland, which sent a deputation there for exchange of information and experience

Cuba offer to break Bogota deadlock Cuba is prepared to admit the guerrillas

occupying the Dominican Republic Embassy in Bogota, their diplomat hostages and the 70 prisoners they want released. President Fidel Castro made the offer in a message to the Colombian Government Page 8 Maples rejects bid Maples, the furniture stores chain renowned for its shop in Tottenham Court Road, London, rejected an 58.4m takeover bid from Waring and Gillow, the furniture and carpet retailer the furniture retailer Page 17

TUC apprehension TUC fears of legislation to make unions legally responsible for the actions of all their officials, right down to shop floor level, are disclosed in a confidential decument to be discussed by union

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Tory revolt

building up

over threat

to benefits

for a parliamentary storm.

keep pace with inflation.

The indications are that the

increase will be limited to 75p, which will fall short of the rise in the cost of living. On top of that, the Prime Minister did not

deny speculation that earnings-

related supplementary benefits

of the Opposition, sprang to the dispatch box on three occasions

warning that it would be to the

Government's lasting shame and a disgrace if it did not increase unemployment benefits in lint

The size of the Tory revolt over child benefits runs deeper than shown in the division lobby lists. About 30 backbenchers held a private meeting earlier

this week when strong opposi-tion to the Government's rumoured plans were expressed.

For reasons of tactics and

loyalty the majority did not support last night an amend-

ment to the Social Security Bill which called for a £1.20

increase in November. But ministers have been informed

privately that if there is not at

east a minimum of £1 an

nounced in the Budget, then

reckon with a serious revolt.

hour. They were: Mr William Waldegrave (Bristol, West) Mr

Tristan Garel-Jones (Watford), Mr Robin Squire (Havering, Hornchurch), and Mr John Patten (Oxford).

They explained that anything

less than a benefit increase that matched inflation would penal-

ize the family, a prospect which ran counter to Conservative Party philosophy.

Equally embarrassing to the

Government is the latest issue

of Politics Today, published by the Conservative Central Office,

which states that " child benefit

has an important part to play in increasing wor!: incentives".

an increase in child benefit

helps the employed family but

not the unemployed family (because an increase in child

benefit is matched by a corre-

sponding reduction in unem-

ployment or supplementary entitlement) '.

During Prime Minister's questions, Mrs Thatcher refused to be moved by Mr Callaghan

to confirm speculation about unemployment and child bene-

The Opposition Leader asked

Mrs Thatcher to realize that

the link between unemployment and the level of benefits was

of paramount importance to those likely to be put out of

work by Government financial

by the relevant amount because

otherwise, if they are not in-

unemployed to work?"

policy.

" Will

Four of them communicated

Mr James Callaghan, Leader

would be abolished.

with inflation.

By Michael Hatfield

Political Reporter

TUC fears a law to hold unions responsible for officials? actions down to shop floor level

The TUC is appreliensive that trade unities are to be made legally responsible for the actions of all their officials,

right down to shop floor level. That fear together with anxiety that the Government may make strike ballots com-pullsory in legislation to follow the Employment Bill, comes out in a confidential policy paper to be discussed by union

It discloses that Mr Len Murray, TUC general Secretary, is to write to Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employ-ment, putting on record the unions' willingness to discuss with ministers ways of improving industrial relations "pro-viding the Government drops its current proposals for legislative interference"

A draft of the letter is likely
to be endorsed by the TUC's
Employment Policy and
Organization Committee this morning when union leaders assess their orposition to the Employment Bill now before

In the policy paper, the TUC says Mr Prior made clear on March 4 that the Government was determined to go ahead with the Bill as it is now constituted, and to introduce amendments on secondary

"He indicated that he was disappointed that it had not been possible to reach any mea-

Whitehall

marks time

By Our Labour Staff Civil Service union leaders

vesterday deferred a decision on whether to call industrial action over the Government's imposition of a cash limit to

control their pay increases this

nine unions decided that because pay negotiations were

so confused it would be wrong

to agree any policy on possible action. They will meet again

next Tuesday.

The Government last week

announced a 14 per cent cash

limit for pay increases linked with the loss of up to 20,000

jobs, which ministers see as a form of productivity. The cut

are guaranteed a 16½ per cent increase, but that still falls short of their expectations of increases between 18 per cent and 20 per cent, which they are suggested by pridents

say are suggested by evidence

Research Unit.
The two main Civil Service

unions, who between them represent more than half the

500,000 white collar civil ser-

vants, have received their first

offers in pay negotiations with

the Civil Service Department, but it will be several days be-

fore the unions and the depart-

ment negotiators arrive at an

interpretation

Only then will the unions be

Airport workmen

The Clegg Commission on pay comparability yesterday recom-

mended increases of between £5

and £10 at week for manual workers at municipal airports

who are pressing for parity with employees of British Airways

Authority.
The Government has accepted

the commission's findings on the payments which are the

the British Airports

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sure of agreement with the TUC about changes in the frame. Mutray said last night that he work of industrial relations was not planning a general legislation." legislation."

pressure from within his party to strengthen his proposals, perhaps making unions responsible for the actions of all their officials, including shop stewards, and by making strike ballots compulsory.

"It therefore seems clear that by some time in the summer, the TUC will be faced by an Art of Parliament waica severely limits trade union safeguards and curbs workers employment rights."

A policy response to this situation is being prepared for a future meeting of the TUC employment committee, but in the meantime the general council has decided that affiliated unions should not take up any of the 22m a year on offer from the Government to finance secret ballots once the Employment Bill becomes law.

In his letter to Mr Prior, Mr Murray will make clear that ballots are regarded as "valuable in appropriate circum-stances" and unions have conducted them for many years on a wide range of matters in accordance with their rules.

However, the money made available by an Act based on the Employment Bill will be spurned as part of the TUC's total opposition to the legislation.

It was also apparent, the the Government (the Press paper says, that he was under Association reports). "I would never be party to smashing up democratic government in this way," he said.

His comments came after two strike calls. On Monday the National Union of Railwaymen asked the TUC to urge all unions to strike on May 14 in protest at the Government's economic policies.

Earlier yesterday the execution of the National Union of

tive of the National Union of Public Employees called on its 700,000, public service workers to strike on that day.

Mr Murray said he was not

planning a strike to bring down the Government, adding: "I do not think the British people would tolerate that for one moment. If we did that, we would not know what to do with the power we had got."

He was speaking during a recorded interview with Vin-cent Hanna for BBC 1's Plat-

form One programme.

But after the recording Mr. Murray told reporters that if individual union leaders decided to organize a strike among their members on May 14, that was a matter for them-

As far as he was concerned May 14 was a day of "protest and action", and it was the right of any worker to take time off at his own expense to

Print union gives five-day ultimatum on pay claim

The National Graphical Association yesterday gave provincial newspapers and general printers in England, Wales and Northern Ireland five days in which to reply to its pay demand or face

The print craft union on Monday offered members of the British Printing Industries Federation, the Newspaper Society and other employers exemption from the action in return for an interim agreement.

Mr Les Dixon, NGA president, said yesterday that seven "assents" had been received, some from federation and society members and some from companies which normally fol-lowed the national agreement.

The union which has 65,000 members in the general printing and provincial newspaper fields, has rejected an offer giving a minimum earnings level of £75 a week, which is an increase of 20.6 per cent, and a 371 hour week by July, 1982. It wants an £80 minimum and a 37½-hour

week this year.

The federation said of the ultimatum: "We have advised our member companies to stand firm in the face of such the Government will have to approaches and report them to their regional offices. this view to Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Chancellor of the Exchequer, at a meeting yesterday which lasted nearly an

'The NGA's action in rejecting an offer which would increase the average member's earnings by £20 a week is irresponsible and unrealistic. The offer should be put to a bailot of NGA members."

Nalgo would walk out in response to councils

By David Felton Labour Reporter

White-collar local authority workers decided yesterday to take a strong stand against any action by employers to suspend union members taking indus-trial action.

senting the 480,000 members of the National and Local Government Officers' Association, which is taking action over a pay dispute, decided yesterday that if any member is disci-plined their entire branch for industrial action. One leader saiq yesterday that the tfirst offer amounted to pennies a week for my members. It is nonsensical."

should walk out.
That was the union's response to the employers' decision to issue guidance to local authorities on how to handle staff in dispute, which included suspensions if necessary. More than 1,000 delegates called on the membership to "respond massively" if suspensions.

that some councils are prepar- arranged.

ing to make a tough response to the union's action. The leaders of Bradford and Grimsby coun-cils warned Nalgo members that if they took part in the action they might be sent home with-A union official said yesterday

except in a few isolated areas, all processing and issuing of rate demands had been halted. The union has also agreed to individual branches taking action which they think will be effective, but which had not previously been approved by the union leadership.

This includes action in several areas to disrupt rent collections. Some telephonists at council offices will also be involved. A collection at the delegate conference raised more than £10,000 which will be put into a fund to help finance strike over Easter by air occur. traffic controllers if they vote
There was evidence yesterday to strike in ballots now being

Policeman wins pay parity

From Our Correspondent Bristol

A police communications less than women operators in officer yesterday won his fight for equal pay with women workers. An industrial tribunal same job. first in a wide-ranging restructuring of pay for the 1.500 workers involved. The payments will be made in two parts, the first of which will be back-dated to April last year.

workers. An industrial fribunal ruled that Mr Desmond Emery, aged 47, who works at New Bridewell police headquarters, Bristol, was entitled to a pay rise to match the wages of female operators. ruled that Mr Desmond Emery, aged 47, who works at New Bridewell police headquarters,

"Will she not give an undertaking", he said, "that child benefits will be increased Mr Emery had claimed that he was earning about £4 a week creased substantially, by the increase in prices, that will increase the disincentive for the

The tribunal also ordered Avon and Somerset police authority to backdate Mr Emery's pay rise to November, 1977. The ority to backdate Mr Emery's Mr Callaghan had the worst pay rise to November, 1977. The police were given the right to child benefits, Mr Callaghan

from a liferaft by a cargo ship yesterday after their Invernessregistered vessel sank about a mile off the Isle of Skye. must await the Budget.

Mrs Thatcher retorted that

Snow blocks main roads in the North

Among roads blocked were the A686, A689, and A66 in Cumbria, the A58, A648 and A57 in the Peak District, and the A640 Rochdale-Huddersfield road.

Snow up to 10 inches deep in places blocked the A57 Snake Pass and the A628 Woodhead road.

In Scotland high winds whipped snow into drifts and surface flooding made roads treacherous. Aberdeenshire, Berwickshire, Fife and West Lothian were all badly affected. Snow ploughs opened the the North Wales coast. At Firemen had to nump flood-A701 Moffat-Edinburgh road Rhos-on-Sea, Colwyn Bay, waves water away from Eleanor and 40 mph speed restrictions poured down the main street Street and Southfield Road.

winds created road hazards in many parts of the country yesterday.

Among roads blocked were land. Traffic was slowed on the

M1 in Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire, and icy patches were reported in Dorser. Nearly two inches of snow fell around Dorchester in an hour. Dorset police said: "The snow was not forecast and caught us by surprise. The A35 was blocked for a time along with the Weymouth to Dor-chester road. We had the roads cleared within a couple of

hours, but it certainly caused chaos for a time".

Huge seas backed by winds gusting up to 65 mph battered the North Wales coast. At

Heavy snowfalls and high were in force on the Forth and as they did in the floods of 15 months ago. Shops and six houses were flooded in spite of sandbag defences.
At the Rhos Abbey Hotel six inches of water flooded the basement and firemen were

called to pump it out. One had only just been redecorated and refitted, but staff managed to pull up the new carpet in There was also flooding in Grimsby when a rainfall of 1.11 inches in 24 hours coincided

with a high tide in the Humber. The river Freshney, which runs through the town, rose to within a foot of the top of its banks before the tide turned and the level began to drop

Doubts about hostel fire precautions

Continued from page 1 and we do not have tragedies like this." Chief Inspector John Roddy said that one of the two sisters of the seven rooms used as bedwho ran the hostel discovered rooms. the fire, which apparently started in a blanket cupboard up against the stairs in the front

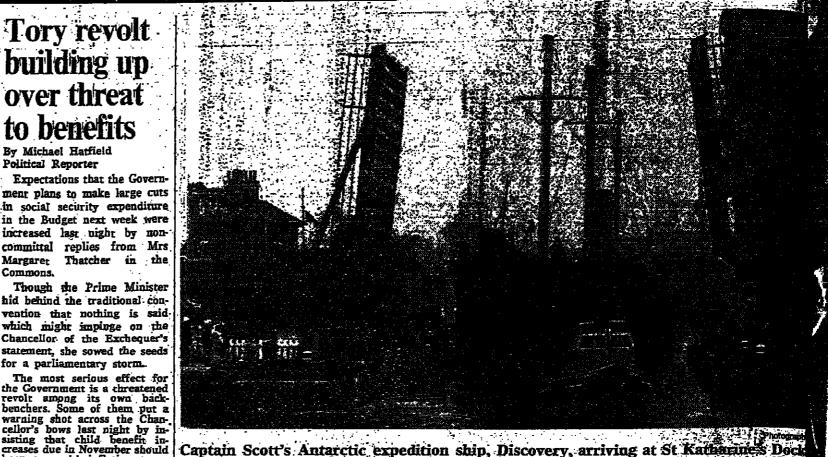
hall as she rose for prayers. The fire brigade was alerted at 5.40. The three bedrooms on the top floor where the dead women were found were "just a shell", he said. "All you can see is bedsprings and burnt clothing everywhere." Five of

Mrs Cicely Hope, aged 69. who lives next door to the hostel, said she was woken by one of the sisters crying: "Help us, help us, we are on fire", at the back of the house. "There pected.
was thick, black smoke and flames pouring out", she said.
Mr Geoffrey Huggert, a car-

alive up there". Forensic experts were still

working lust night to establish the cause of the fire, although police said arson was not sus-

penter who also lived alongside, and face. Her condition last helped to get ladders and coax night was described as "fair".



Captain Scott's Antarctic expedition ship, Discovery, arriving at St Katharine's Dock yesterday, where she will join other historic ships, after an overhaul at Sheetness, Ke

BSC loses £7m North Sea order to Japan

By Staff Reporters

British Steel has lost to a Japanese steel producer a valuable order from British Petrol-eum for a North Sea pipeline because of the steel strike.

BP has ordered 22,000 tonnes of large diameter pipe, worth about 17m, from Nippon Kokan Kaisha. It will be used in the company's Magnus field.

The loss of the business is a particular blow to BSC, which for many years had been criticized for its inability to meet specifications for large diameter pipe for the offshore industry and has developed production for that market at Hartlepool.

Last night the BSC said: "In mid-December we were in-formed by the customer that the corporation had not been awarded this contract due to uncertainty about the ability to supply the right quality steel. In present circumstances it is im-possible to dispute the custo-mer's decision as tight delivery dates were vital to the con-tract." The threat of a steel strike was apparent early in December.

The loss o fvaluable business to overseas suppliers is now a real cancero to the BSC, which will face a big battle in clawing

Jobs threatened

to unload stocks

Transport and General Workers' Union members at a

private company refused yes-terday to unload steel that had

been released from British Rail depots in the West Midlands

About 200 tonnes, part of a

consignment of 500 tonnes, was

put on 13 British Rail lorries from Wolverhampton and Brier-ley Hill depots. The steel has been held there since early in

the dispute. Yesterday it was back where it started after a

round trip of between six and

The jobs of 145 workers are

now threatened at Howard E. Perry and Company of Willen-

hall, which is part of the German Klockner group. Mr

Ernst Pleyer, managing director, said later that layoffs

would have to be considered

As 200 steelworkers formed a picket outside the Perry pro-cessing and stockholding plant

about 80 policemen. Two men

Fishermen rescued

by order of the High Court.

by refusal

By Arthur Osman

twenty miles.

were arrested.

back the share of the United Kingdom market lost to foreign

The strike is enterng its twelfth week, and reports from twelfth week, and reports from around Britain confirm an increasing trend for customers to establish new sources of supply, although the effects of the strike on the rest of manufacturing industry are nest causing significant disruption, with the exception of the west Midlantis.

Sir John Methyen, director general of the Confederation of British Industry, said last night that private sector consumers had managed to maintain production at virtually the same levels as before the strike. The latest CBI assessment suggested production of about 95.8 per-cents

Addressing CBI members on Yorkshire and Humberside he said that had been achieved by stockpiling and by management ingenuity but also by importing more steel and finished goods. But he gave a warning that one effect of the strike could be a permanent increase in steel im-

According to the CBI, industry's production levels have crept up over the past three weeks and the return to work weeks and the return to work in the industry in the past six by private sector steelworkers, months, which does not take

By Donald Macintyre

Labour Reporter
The biggest rail union may reconsider the present black-

its 180,000 members unless

more stringent efforts are made

That threat was made yes-erday by Mr Sidney Weighell,

general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen. Mr Weighell has written to the

Transport and General Workers' Union and to the Iron and Steel Trades Con-

federation expressing the

hat steel is still being moved

Mr Richard Wilcox, British

union's " very serious concern

Rail's chief industrial relations officer, wrote to Mr Weighell

earlier this month emphasizing

the loss of rail business to road

haulage during the steel strike.

The strike is costing BR about

£2m a week.

The NUR said that BR had told them that during the week

by rbad.

to halt steel traffic by road.

of steel movements by

movement by road

coupled with continued imports. had topped up stock levels

In the Midlands, the CBI reported a noticeable deterioration in steel stocks over the past week and an increase in the number of companies re-porting difficulty in maintaining production. Some companies estimate they have only 16 to 14 days supply left, although others have stocks for two mouses.

A CBI official said: "The pleasure could change, as it did a formight ago when to every-one's surprise steel supplies actually eased." An estimated 3,200 workers have been laid off in the region and as many as 6,000 workers may be on as 6,000 workers may be on short time according to the in the region has the regional Department of Sun-Box Company ployment office.

In Scotland, Bying pickets; arrived at Perth docks yester-day too late to prevent a cargo of steel wire being landed from Germany. Workers there re-fused to black the steel.

In the North-west the effects of the steel strike are being cushioned to some extent by the slump which is affecting many engineering firms. More than 6,000 jobs have been lost

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Gwent, and 11 arrested outside Railmen 'concerned' about | Sir Richar strike lead

to admit d

ending March 8 an estimated Union leaders 61,000 tonnes of steel traffic, worth £188,686, had been lost by BR to the road haulage Out of the 200,000 tonnes of steel consignments at present "impounded" in docks or in

freight terminals, about 75,000 are imported steel. About three million tonnes of steel are normally imported each year. leaders displayed BR said yesterday that road hauliers who were taking steel business from them were in ship they had infli workers, they w have been dismuss some cases insisting on at least medium-term contracts which might well inflict a permanent loss of business to rail freight. Mr Weighell said yesterday: 'We shall have to review the position from day to day to see what happens. It is provoca-tive to our members having

this work pinched from under their poses". The NUR has taken no steps so far to relax its instructions to members not to move steel,

led their memi "disastrous mess them back to work Marsh said vester British Iron and sumers' Council, s If managers sho difference that

Correction The analysis of the Government's mot Olympic Games on given in The Time showed Mr Paul I servative MP for N. west, as having absthe voted for the Gordon Bagier, La Sunderland, South, the motion, not for

Weather forecast and recordings

industry.



Today Sun rises: 7.06 am Moon rises: 8.46 am Sun sets:

7.12 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: 10.56 pm First quarter: March 23.

First quarter: March 23.

Lighting up: 7.42 pm to 6.33 am.

High Water: London Bridge 4.22

am. 7.7m: 4.52 pm, 7.7m. Avon
month, 10.09 am, 14.5m; 10.26

pm, 14.0m. Dover, 1.17 am, 7.1m;

1.41 pm, 6.9m., Hull, 8.57 am,

7.8m; 9.06 pm, 8.0m. Liverpool,

1.44 am, 9.9m; 2.03 pm, 10.2m.

1 foot=0.3048m lm=3.2808ft.

Pressure will stay high to the N and low to the S of Britain. It will be generally cold and very Forecast for 6 am to midnight:

London, East Anglia, Midlands, Central, 5 and SE England the bodies were "completely charred and are going to be impossible to identify". There were three or four beds in each of the seven rooms used as bedrooms.

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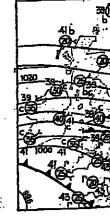
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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;

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NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Morny Firth: Sunny intervals, isolated wintry showers; wind E. strong of gale; max temp 3° to 4°C (37° to 27° London: Temp: max pan, 8°C (46°F); mi 7 am, 2°C (36°F). pm, 83 per cent. Rai 7 pm, 0.15 in. Sun, 24 nil. Bar, mean sea i 1,010.6 millibars risin 1,000 millibars = 29.5 windy showers; wind E, strong to gale; max temp 3° to 4°C (37° to 39°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny periods, dry: wind E to SE, fresh; max temp 4° to 6°C (39° to 43°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Cold and windy. Further occasional rain or snow in S England and S Wales and N Scotland later.

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Avocation. What if vou don't have one?

It was the first time I had felt envious about anything," a young told us with just a hint of self mockery.

I looked around the dining hall at university and realised with pain that there were two sorts of people there: those who had tions, and the rest of us who did not.

The first group (I already thought them privileged) knew tly where they wanted to go and how to get there.

Their lives, I naively imagined, would be unswerving and oseful, rich with certainty and fulfilment.

By contrast I felt muddled, irresolute and strangely vulnerable. nd myself mentally trying on different jobs but like secondhand ies, none seemed to fit."

Keeping your options open.

What, you may well ask, was this young man doing at the Army cer Selection Board?

Surely we are not interested in people who can't make up their ds? In any case, Army Officers are born with bugles ringing in ears, aren't they?

Some are. But nowadays most are not.

- And as for uncertainty, well, we see it as a characteristic of h, not feeble mindedness.

After all, why should a boy fresh from school or university expected to commit himself to any career he knows next to ing about?

We would never ask such a thing in the Army.

A young man may choose to serve for three years extendable ight years, or a commission of sixteen years as well as the full ice commission of approximately thirty-four years.

And contrary to the twist-your-arm reputation of recruiting ers, the one they recommend to anyone uncommitted, is the test.

Atoe in the water.

A three year commission will give you time to clear your mind le you try your hand at lots of different jobs.

Are you cut out to be a teacher? You'll find out soon enough. It might be your job to train y young soldiers in the use of mortars, survival and counter-

Are you an administrator? You will have to sort out their leave, orism. ning courses, replacements and duties.

Are you a bit of a lawyer?

One way or another your soldiers will need advice on H.P. agreements, Queen's Regulations, even divorce.

Do you have a mechanical flair?

Most units have transport today. It will be your job to see it works, sometimes, if you're a tank commander for example, in your overalls.

Who knows, you might find you have a vocation for the Army. This is somewhat more than a fond hope on our part: 35% of Short Service Officers do sign on for longer terms.

If not, you will leave the Army after three years commissioned service with a tax-free gratuity of £2265 (or in some cases, after two years if you wish, but without the handshake).

A further qualification.

You will also leave with an additional qualification.

The words 'Short Service Commission' certainly add weight to any curriculum vitae.

Not so long ago the Chairmen or Personnel Directors of over fifty large companies signed a statement that for them 'three years as an Army Officer can equal three years at university.' Several said a perfectly rounded education would include both.

All spontaneously mentioned the value of the training in management that Army Officer training gives a young man.

To sum up then, a Short Service Commission will give you time to breathe, opportunity to try different jobs and a welcome from large companies when you leave.

We have written a booklet called 'Army Officer. What the job

is like and how you can apply for it? It sets out all the options, the different Arms and Services, the various lengths of commissions and how you may extend them or convert to a Regular Commission.

If you are between 171/2 and 26 with at least 5 'O' levels including English language, Major John Floyd will send you a copy. Write to him at Army Officer Entry (Dept. A41), Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, London W1X 6AA. Tell him your age, your education so far and your thoughts on a career.

A 3-year Commission in the Army.

Councils must find other savings as Government abandons school transport charge plans

By George Clark Political Correspondent

Conceding defeat on Government's proposal empower local educ education authorities to make charges for school transport, Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education and Science, announced in the Commons yesterday that he would not be seeking to reintroduce the relevant clause in the Education Bill defeated in the House of

Lords, at a later stage. But he emphasized that the clause had originally been in-troduced at the request of the Association of County Councils to give them greater freedom in choosing where to make sav-ings on their education budgets.

The option to charge [for school transport] is no longer open to local authorities", he removes the obligation on local authorities to achieve the needed reductions in expendi-ture in some other way."

As originally drafted, the clause on school transport would have enabled authorities to have made savings of about E30m if they chose that option, but later amendments restrict ing the power to charge had reduced the amount of possible savings. It had been pointed out in the House of Lords that the system, as the Government amended it, would have required many extra staff to odminister the charges.

The Duke of Norfolk, who the revolt in the House of Lords said later that he was 'eased with the Government's ecision to accept the defeat. but he shought it was quite dis-graceful that Lady Young,

Carshalton, Mr Carlisle said that there was "no truth what-

scever" in the suggestion that

he had withheld publication of the report by the National

The research was carried out

grant from the Department of

Education and Science), and it

was for the bureau to publish the report, he said. A draft was

sent to him last August.

In a letter last December to

Professor A. H. Halsey, who led

the research team, he had said

that he hoped the report would

be widely read. He understood

tion, should have suggested that any new savings should come from the handicapped.

"t should come from the administrative costs of the Department of Education", he said. "In any case, there is no need for the Government to require it to come from the education departments.

"I feel it is totally wrong to break up the Burler concordat of 1944 which set out the dual system of church schools and ordinary schools." The Duke of Norfolk said he would challenge the Government's claim that the

transport clause would have saved £20m. He feels that the various amendments to the original transport provisions must have reduced that to a much lower figure.

Mr Carlisle won cheers from Mr Carlisle won cheers from all parts of the House with his announcement, though Conservative backbenchers shouted comments to remind Labour MPs that they were cheering the democratic decision made in a House that they want to

For the Opposition, Mr Neil Kinnock saw the possibility that the 20 authorities which had "jumped the gun", assuming that the cylause would be-come law, would be forced to cut classroom provision, dis-miss teachers, reduce capita-tion allowances and cut down on the provision of books. He too referred to Lady Young's statement.

Mr Carlisle said the point that Lady Young was trying to make was that i fthe education authorities could not make

modest charges for transport they would have to make savings which might be disadvantageous to the people con-

Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke on Trent, South, wanted a clear assuarnce that handicapped children and those receiving nursery education would not be penalized.

"Everyone is concerned about the problems of hardi-capped children, Mr Carlisle responded, "but I cannot promise what the outcome of my decision will be."

He brusquely rejected a request from Mr Hugh Fraser, Conservative MP for Stafford and Stone, that the Government should find the £20m or £30m that was required for school transport. Cash limits had already been fixed, he said.

Lady Young refused a similar request in the House of Lords from Lady David, the Opposition front bench spokes man on education.

Catholics may suffer: It is ironic that while Roman Catho-lics gave the lead to the Goverament's defeat on school transport in the Lords, they could now find themselves much worse off (our Education Correspondent writes).

Some councillors are already talking of saving money by doing away with all discretion-ary school transport. That would mean that children attending church schools who now travel there free although it is not their nearest state school, could in future have to pay the full distance-related fare.



The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev Robert Runcie, being interviewed by Ursula McLeish, aged 13, and Simon Lovegrove, aged 10, for Will your wife do the dusting? to be broadcast on Radio 4 on Thursday.

Three legs replace portcullis to mark step towards independence

Europe's islands watch Manx liberation

From John Chartres
Douglas, Isle of Man
The golden portcullis—symbol
of authority on a customs officer's cap badge, will disappear in a formight from the headgear worn by members of the Waterguard Service in the

To mark another step towards nore independence, the port-culis will be replaced by the Three Legs of Man symbol and the surround of laurel leaves by the words "Isle of Man Customs and Excise Service."

From April 1 for the first time in 200 years the Manx nation, which comprises about 63,000 permanent residents, will collect its own indirect taxes as well as levying its own (20.5 per

cent) income tax.

A staff of 37 officers, some recruited from the British customs service, has been established, and new headquar-ters are being built on the site of the old steam railway station

The changeover in real terms of variations in rates of duty will be very gradual, almost imperceptible at first, and there is no early prospect of cheap

The first changes are likely to be in the field of VAT rates on "non-exportable" services in an attempt to reduce the island's high cost of living. Any changes in VAT rates will

be subject to agreement with the United Kingdom Govern-ment, but Mr Percy Radcliffe chairman of the Manx finance board, and Mr William Dawson, the island's treasurer, are looking particularly at the 15 per as house and car repairs, house extensions and improvements, cinema, theatre and sports charges, and possibly petrol

There is no intention of creating a barrier between the island and the United Kingdom with British visitors having to pass through customs, but the introduction of the indepen-dent service is seen as a spring-board from which more control of the island's economy can be

The island's inflation rate of 20.5 per cent is believed to be the highest in Europe. The

conferring any tax benefits. Hardest hit have been the low wage earners, who do not in any case benefit from the island's own low income tax rates because most of them are

the books of the many finance companies which had based themselves here in recent years and which account for about a third of the island's total income.

information obtained was never passed on to the the highest in Europe. The Inland Revenue or other over the Government's June budget in agencies, dark suspicions have birching.

could easily nappen in the computer age.

Manx moves are being watched closely by other island communicies in Europe, particularly by Sherland, which sent a deputation to the Isle of Man at the end of last year. Two other moves towards increased independence are pro-ceeding slowly. The first is to relieve the Lieutenant Governor of many of his administrative responsibilities and of his positions on the Legislative

Council (Upper House of the Manx parliament) and on the executive council (cabinet).

With vice-regal status he with vice-regal status ne could give assent to domestic legislation on the spot, an improvement on the time-consuming system of Royal Assent. These proposals have been amicably negotiated with the United Kingdom Government.

Rather less enthusiasm is being shown in Whitehall towards a proposal that might lead to the island wanting to withdraw from the European Convention of Human Rights

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deals By Robin Young

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In fact, Mr Burt is likely to rejoin the Countryman team in

So far 10 officers in the City of London and Metropolitian forces have been charged or suspended. Charges against one City of London officer have subsequently been withdrawn and a suspension has been lifted from a Metropolitan officer. In a number of other

Last weekend Sir Michael

to return Mr Leonard Burt, assistant chief constable of Dorset, is to

remain in operational control of Operation Countryman, the investigation into London police corruption, after a temporary expected to return to Countryman in midsummer. Last month it was announced

that Mr Burt, who formed the Countryman team in 1978, was going back to Dorset in May while the deputy chief constable is on secondment to Hongkong. News of the move led to speculation that the return might, be permanent because of the difficulties and controversy surrounding the

August which indicates that the investigations, now more than 18 months old, are likely to continue for some time.

cases possible dates for com-mittal hearings are expected to be discussed later this week when the officers appear on remand.

Havers, the Attorney General, announced that he and the Director of Public Prosecutions had agreed a scheme to allay fears among the criminal com-munity that they might be framed with false carges if they belped Countryman detectives. Where allegations of "fitting up" (false charges) were made after a criminal had given evidence or talked to Country-

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£500 fine for p Michael D'Reilly Chelsea Football Cl who punched a pol a match at Bristo £500 and ordered

death from gas fumes

castle upon Tyne yesterday.

Mr William Walker, aged 53,

Gas, said that there died at his home in Pease restriction to the ou Avenue, Fenham, Newcastle, in January, his wife, Elizabeth, and two children in the house, Lorraine, aged 16, and Anthony

monoxide poisoning.
Mr John Gray, director of housing for Newcastle, said that central heating had been instal-

gas board had not been notified by the council and so the house was not on the board's list for un annual service. "It is not possible to explain why this is", Mr Gray said. Human error could be assumed.

Human error after the instal-lation of a gas central heating vicings would have system led to the death of a out over the year former Army sergeant, it was said. stated at an inquest in New- Mr Brian Rudd.

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Dr John McIlroy 45 per cent satura monoxide in Mr Wal had caused his death would not necessari Mr Patrick Cuff, t recorded a verdict of death. The public sh sure that gas applia

Minister denies delaying report on bright pupils By Diana Geddes birth. They were tested in Education Correspondent mathematics and reading at the

Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary age of 11 and again at 16. of State for Education and Science, denied yesterday that he had withheld publication of The latest report examines the children's progress in different types of selective and n report which shows that bright children do not suffer non-selective schools. Children who were in the top 20 per cent academically in comprehensive of the ability range at the age of 11, made on average the same progress in reading and matheschools. In a parliamentary written reply to Mr Nigel Forman, Conservative MP for Sutton, matics over the five years of secondary education, regard-less of whether they went to a

grammer or to a comprehensive school. In a letter to Mr Carlisle last November, Professor Halsey, of the Department of Social Studies at Oxford University, by the bureau (with a £36,000

> "The evidence rules out both the hopes of those who advocated comprehensives as panacea for all educational ills and the fears of those who opposed them as disastrous social engineering'.

"The record of the comprehensives . . . is much the same as that of other state schoolsthat the bureau expected to The research is based on Professor Halsey said yester-16,000 ch dren born in the same week in 1958, whose pro-made additional funds available

Mr Silk again fails to be elected City alderman

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Ev Christopher Warman Local Government

Correspondent

publish it in lune or

Donald Silk, a solicitor, to diverced become an alderman of the City of London failed yesterday had been when he was rejected by the Court of Aldermen. In a secret ballot the alder-

men voted 20-0 against confirming his election after the ward of Aldergate in February voted him their alderman by 259-229. The court gives no reason for its decision. Sir Peter Gadsden. Lord Mayor, used the formal words of rejection. "It is well known that by an ancient custom of the City of London the election o fan alderman is Subject to rotification by the Court of Aldermen.

"Having regard to the many and varied duties which have to

be performed by an alderman of the Cit yes London, for all of which he must be suitable, the court has come to the conclusion that it is unable to confirm the election of Mr. Donald Silk."

Air Silk, aged 51, who failed in the High Court to have the yelo declared invalid after his first election last July, seid after the decision that he had not yet made up his mind what course of action to take.

He is entitled to stand for a third time in the ward, but if

he is elected and again rejected by the Court of Alder-

men, the court has the right to nominate the alderman for that

court that he had informally ocal Government been given three reasons for not being a suitable candidate. The second attempt by Mr The first was that he was

Another reason was that he had been rejected as a magi-strate, and had been convicted of motoring offences. In 30 years' driving his fines had been less than £100.

Third was a question of personality, by which he concluded the court did not like him: "In a word, prejudice. Prejudice may be acceptable if one is selecting a steward of the Jockey Club or an assistant for a City guild, but we are dealing with the government of the greatest city in the world, a local authority which is to raise over £200m next year in rates, the cradle of democracy and, in

a very real sense, the mother of the mother of parliaments ". Mr Colin Dyer, Chief Com-moner of the Corporation of the ity of London, dismissed those complaints as "nonsense". He said that the veto protected the

mayoralty. He said that local government in the ity was controlled by the Court of Common Counwhose councilmen were elected in a normal election as in other local authorities. The 25 aldermen, also members of the Court of Common Council, had a separate role as the Court of Aldermen.

nen, the court has the right to ment that the Court of Alderment that the Court of Aldermen was not part of the demo-Mr Silk complained to the cratic local government process.

Benefit cuts 'worse than in the 1930s'

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent The Government is plauning more severe social security cuts this year than were imposed by 1930s, a noisy rally at the House of Commons was told yesterday. Mr Frank Field, Labour MP for Birkenhead, told a meeting of more than 150 pensioners and others that they were fac-ing the first real cut in social

security benefits for 50 years. He said that benefit cuts imposed by the National Government were made when prices were falling; they were not real cuts. The Government now planned to cut benefits, with inflation raging, by not raising

The Government had already iven away a "tax bonanza" of £4.500m, more than a third of which had gone to the richest 7 per cent, Mr Field said. The porest 10 per cent had picked

heard. They gave a rough reception to the portly Mr Martin Stevens, Conservative MP for Hammersmith, Fulham. When he rose to respond to savage attacks on his party and leader, a pen-sioner shouted; "I'd like to see

worse might come.
"The Budget may mean another Bill, which could other Bill, which could appropriately be called the Social Security Destruction

shorthfall by which unemploy-ment, sickness and basic rate supplementary bentfit rates would be increased in November would be more than the 5

the National Government in the

them enough

"Don't let us have any of this available ", he said to rising cheers. "The money is there to give to a different group those who are already well endowed with the good things

called by the National Cammeeting brought in coachloads of pensioners, disabled people, steel strikers and workers from Scotland and Wales as well as the South-east, who made it

Poverty Action Group, when she said that the Bill would make 1.805,000 claimants worse off, 19,000 of them by £3 a week. But they were reduced to angry silence when she warned that

Bill, to end inflation proofing of short-term social security benefits." she said.

She forecast that the reported

at Douglas.

up only 2 per cent.

of this world." He was speaking at a meeting paign Against Social Security Cuts to mark the report stage of the Social Security Bill. The

dificult for most speakers to be

you livt on a pension. He spends all his money on beer."

They cheered Miss Ruth Lister, director of the Child

Press ban claim by 'Izvestia'

By Craig Seton Britain has been accused by Izvestia, the Soviet Government newspaper, of a breach of the 1975 Helsinki agreement by barring Russian journalists from visits to Northern Ireland and Rhodesia.

The newspaper said no visas had been issued to a group of Russian journalists to cover the Rhodesian elections and, "in Rhodesian elections and, another act of discrimination" permission had been refused for its London correspondent and the London-based correspondent of Tass, the Soviet news agency. to go to Northern Ireland.

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office in London yes-terday said British authorities had been unable at the time to make available facilities for interviews the journalists had re-quested in Northern Ireland and, in the circumstances, they were told "it was probably best they should not make their planned visit there".

It confirmed that because of practical difficulties" no visas were issued to Russian correspondents during the run-up to the Rhodesian elections. The decision was taken by the interim administration under Lord Soames,

Other East European correspondents, notably from East Germany, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia, were among the 600 foreign journalists who covered the Rhodesian elections, but the Foreign Office has denied that the Russian journalists were unable to go because of the British Government's hard-line approach to the Soviet Union over its invasion of Afghanistan.

In its attack on the British Government, Izvestia said Northern Ireland has been effectively turned into occupied territory with English troops terrorizing the Roman Catholic

End Stormont talks, two of three parties say From Christopher Thomas There still is no secret

Senior delegates from two of

the three parties attending the Stormont constitutional talks believe privately that the con-ference should be wound up as soon as possible. The Government nevertheless

is determined to press on until have been discussed, which seems certain to take the conference into next month. After that there is a strong prospect that the forum will be adjourned rather than ended. The leaders of the Alliance

Party, and the Social Demo-cratic and Labour Party delegations are convinced that the fulness and that it could be counter-productive to continue it much longer. The talks, which began on January 7, are clearly in danger of becoming a political embarrassment.
The Rev Ian Paisley's hard-

line stand on power-sharing has contributed most to the air ofdespondency surrounding the conference. The Democratic Unionist leader's apparent new aura of moderation gave cause for hope at the beginning but two thunderous speeches in the past month have dispelled that optimism.

early end to the talks evidently comes from the SDLP, the principal voice of Roman Catholic political aspirations. Its delegates are reluctant to see the talks extend beyond the last scheduled meeting on

The party's views have been expressed privately by senior delegates to Mr Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, who has been chairman at every session of the conference. He is reporting personally almost every week to Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, whose influence is undoubtedly the driving force behind the quest for

scheme for power devolution in spite of speculation to the contrary; indeed Mr Atkins's advisers are far from convinced of the best way forward. Only one thing is certain: the aspiration for introducing a Bill in the Commons on power devolution before the summer

recess is dead. The next target is to get a Bill in before the Christmas recess, but even that is far from assured. The end or the adjournment

of the conference, which can be only weeks away, will be followed quickly by an attempt to involve the Official Unionists in the conference on Northern Ireland's political future. It is the biggest party in the Province, but it refused to join

the conference for the stated reason that it believed there was no prospect of success. Some close observers believe, however, that the party leader-ship stayed away because it favoured full integration of Ulster with the United Kingdom rather than devolved goverument. An option being considered seriously by the Government is

the production of a Green Paper or some other form of consultative document. A dis-The main impetus for an cussion paper is regarded by some ministerial advisers as the logical next step given the obvious failure of the partici-pating parties to identify important areas of accord. The possibility of a referen

> tion in Government circles given the inherent difficulties Ulster cauldron, Shooting at shop: A man was seriously ill in hospital last night after a shooting incident in Belfast (the Press Association reports). Two men walked into a shop at St Peter's Hill at the foot of Shankill Road, fired about 18 shots at a shop assistant and made off.

of drink-related disorders (the

Press Association writes). The

"The Government must take

dum on Government proposals

is receiving a lukewarm recep-

modernization in 1972, but the-The faculty said that £23m

"Something in the sequence of events shows that the works do partment notified the central office, but the information was not passed on to the gas board." if the gas board had been

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Spending cuts 'threaten million alcoholics'

By Frances Gibb

Britain's one million alcoholics, most of whom are in respectable jobs, are in danger

would close by the summer unless the £8,000 it needed was hospital bed £300 a week.

Alcoholics and drug addicts cellor of the Exchequer to imnot catered for would be pose much higher taxes on of ending up as "street dos-sers" because government cuts are threatening to cause the closure of much of the coun-try's largest network of re-babilitation try's largest network of re-habilitation centres for alco-holics and drug addicts it was

The warning came from the London-based Turning Point (formerly Helping Hand), a voluntary organization whose 17 hostels help about 400 alco-holics a year, most of them home-based.

home-based.

Mr Brian Arbery, chief executive of Turning Point, said in London: "The idea that alcoholics are all dossers is totally wrong. They are only a riny fraction. Many are in such jobs are charrened surveying or the as chartered surveying or the Intelligence Corps. Most of the street dassers began with a secure, respectable background.
The organization's main London drug addiction centre, the Hungerford Centre near Piccadilly Circus, which helped more than 250 addicts last year,

" It would not be too alarmist to talk about a big collapse. All support for drug addicts is voluntary and these organiza-tions are being hit hardest", Mr Arbery said. The bulk of the organizations'

yearly running costs of £500,000 came from central and local government, but more than half the local authorities were failing to meet their financial commitments to fund the. "If you are an alcobolic, whether you receive treatment

will depend on where you live. We have been a shuttlecock between central and local government for a long while. Neither wants us. We go back and forwards and in the end it is the client who suffers." Mr Arbery called on the Government to compel local authorities to meet their respon-

sibilities or provide cash. It

ing Point's hostels, but a prisun

not catered for would be pose much higher taxes on forced back on the hospital and alcohol to counter an epidemic prison service. About one third of criminal offenders had drink problems.

Dr Brian Hore, vice-chairman of Turning Point and a psychiaPhysicians of the United King-

trist specializing in alcoholism, dom said that in real terms the sold that the money could not price of a bottle of whisky was be obtained elsewhere. "We do one third the price it was 30 not attract donations, in the years ago. way that heart patients or spastics do. The attitude persists in direct action through taxation. this country that these people Raising step by step the rela-are in this position through tive price of wines and spirits their own fault." should be part of the overall The organization said that strategy to reduce consump-

alcoholism was on the increase. tion.'
It expected the problem to Th grow. particularly among or 1 per cent of the tax raised women. There were two or on drink last year should be three women with a drinking spent on health education problem to every five men, compared with one woman to five men 10 years ago.

There were 600,000 alcoholics England and Wales which was 2 to 3 per cent of the adult costs a local authority £40 to population. In Scotland, 10 per place someone in one of Turn cent of men in some cities had

against alcoholism; advertising alcoholic drinks should be allowed at the point of sale only; and special attention should be paid to aroups of people prone to drink problems: entertainers, Services personnel, journalists, doctors, brewers and publicans.

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exempt from tax anyway. The overall cost of living is more than 5 per cent above that of the mainland One of the hidden assets of the new arrangement will be the termination of British VAT inspectors' rights of access to

They were always seen as a deterrent to the attraction of more such companies in a market which has become increasingly competitive since the abandonment of exchange

Although assurances always given from London that British customs VAT inspectors

Countryman

leader

By Stewart Tendler

Justice Comyn, s

matter came to lis he was brought to Lord Justice Ora it was a serious court had to bear Miss Palmer was of her training. "I that this was done

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> services assistant wi boiler was in an ext Mrs Walker told that her husband su a heart condition. before his death the

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serviced regularly,

to ert calls coal board State funds sought lewoir 'unnecessary'

Vale of Belvoir was in the light of fall-demands and the railure to prove mes of coal under Leicestershire, a dviser to the House is Select Committee

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ional Coal Board's tion, was bound to decrease as three mines in and the nuclear programme gor under way. He was scentical that the board would find new industrial markets for coal as

a substitute for expensive oil. Mr Manners also said energy conservation would reduce fuel demand drastically. "Whilst the major conservation effort will obviously be directed towards the consumption of oil, there can be little doubt that the same policies will also affect the demand for electricity and coal," he said.

He claimed it would be better to import coal than develop new indigenous reserves as an insurance policy in case the nuclear programme fell behind. He was adament that greater productivity and investment in existing mines could supply all the coal needed up to 1990 and very probably beyond the turn of the century.

He added: "If the promoters are proved to be wrong then the country will have lost cer-tain ureplaceable environmental essets in north-east Leicestershire, it will have unnecessarily sunk a large sum of scarce public capital in a badly-timed mining venture, it will be faced with a surplus of coal-mining capacity, it will be required to close down rapidly and prematurally many relatively small. turely many relatively small pits in other parts of the country, and it will have to face the social disruption that a course of action would

The inquiry was adjourned.

by National **Gallery**

Arts Reporter

An appeal for Government support for the National Gallery's building programme and for money to continue improvements to the air-conditioning on which the survival of paintings depends was made yesterday by Professor John Hale, chairman of the gallery's trustees.

Professor Hale said that the callery did not claim immunity from cons and prevate sponsorship had to be sought for some projects such as a new lecture theatre and a computerized information centre that could give the gailery an international lead in that field.

He said: "We must argue as strongly as possible for money to continue the air-conditioning programme already agreed for the east wing. Work on three rooms, one only a small one, will be completed this summer. Three or four more could be air-conditioned from the same plant. This must go forward". Society had incurred an obligation that must be honoured before it was too late. "It is surely monsense to speak of preserving a heritage when its retention could be more damag-ing than its flight to a better environment elsewhere".

Professor Hale was speaking tenience or on the publication of the gallery's report covering the two times of streety years up to last December. The times of streety report says.



Professor John Hale, who will retire in the autumn as chairman of the National Gallery trustees, with Monet's Bathers at La Grenouillère, a recent bequest to the gallery.

to the building programme is to the building programme is made in the trustees' report, which says that plans for the rational hanging of the collection and the educational and amenity services are imperilled. "This is a hazard we share with all institutions dependent on the priorities decided upon by everyment in a period of by government in a period of retrenchment; we cannot pro-test at a curtailment of convenience or of creative pleasure

even though its fostering in
times of stress might be thought

The projected move into the National Portrait Gallery's premises next door was also mentioned by Professor Hale, who said that the cost of the portrait gallery's new building would be high. Nothing had been heard from the Government, but he hoped that the move would be accomplished by the end of the decade.

The National Gallery ex-The National Gallery ex-

hibited or sent out on loan all its 2,000 paintings. All could be seen by everyone.

tious Department, National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, London, WC2 5DN; £1.25), £8.22m grant: The Scottish Arts Council is to receive a Government grant of £8.22m enabling if to operate on a commitment basis for 1980-81 of £8.35m, compared with £7.22m

The council began the year with outstanding commitments of £435,000 from the previous year and it expects to carry over into 1981-82 an outstanding commitment of £560,000.

Better design 'could save 60% of car fuel'

By Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent

Improvements in the design of cars could produce fuel consumption savings of at least 60 per cent, according to a report by the Government's Transport and Road Research Laboratory which was published yesterday. Such improvements would mean the average car returning 50 miles to the gallon com-pared with 30 miles per gallon today. The average motorist,

with an annual mileage of 9,000, would save 120 gallons of fuel a year, equivalent to about £150 Although the report does not express the views of the Government, official concern about energy-saving means that it is bound to be studied closely. more than half of road transport fuel, the report says, it

servation measures. The report claims that its proposed improvements are "fairly modest" and that some authorities have suggested that

Even so, a 60 per cent saving in average consumption is far in excess of the 10 per cent to which car manufacturers have

committed themselves by 1985. The biggest single contribuwould be a change from petrol engines to higher efficiency units like the light-weight diesel. The report gives as an example the diesel-engined ver-sion of the Volkswagen Golf car which gives up to 70 per cent

model. The report says that drivers, too, can help fuel economy. Good driving habits like moderare acceleration, anticipation of braking and travelling at modest speeds can bring fuel savings of between 10 per cent and 15 per cent.

better economy than the petrol

must be a prime target for con-Better traffic management in congested urban areas can increase average speed and reduce fuel consumption by re-placing stop-start travel by a

Ladbroke's to pay costs

Ladbroke's was ordered yes-terday to pay costs incurred by the Metropolican Police and the Gaming Board in resisting its unsuccessful High Court appeal against the refusal of Knights-bridge Crown Court to renew gaming licences for three West End casinos.

An application by the Playboy Club, which had objected to the enewal of Ladbroke's gaming licences, for its appeal costs Ladbroke's is referring last to be paid by that company, was week's dismissal of its appeal rejected by Lord Widgery, the to the Court of Appeal.

Lord Chief Justice and Mr Justice Mars-Jones in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court.

Mr Victor Temple, for Lad-broke's club operators, Ladup Ltd and Hyde Park Casinos, had earlier told the court that they were willing to pay the police costs. Total costs of the High Court hearing are unofficially estimated at £20,000.

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Correspondent County Council's and transportation decided yesterday to legal ban on heavy les using the A591 wick road in the ict National Park as

will be imposed by lorries over three using the section rasmere and Thirk n for those having the park.

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wanted a legal ban fichael Jopling, Gov-hief Whip, and MP torland, also wrote

awen Nixon, who led of for a legal ban and a lorry count that voluntary ban had I, said afterwards she ted with the support ceived from residents Bors.

New scheme may save Wast Water

From Our Correspondent Whitehaven England's deepest Wast Water, could be saved from a controversial plan by Brinish Nuclear Fuels to raise

its level, providing more water for the Windscale nuclear plant. The scheme is one of the applications being considered by the "two lakes" inquiry at Whitehaven, the other being a

similar proposal by the North West Water Authority to raise the level of neighbouring Enserdale.
When the inquiry entered its When the inquiry entered is eighth week yesterday after an adjournment of a formight, the water, authority tevesled that it was giving prefetence to a third scheme known as Enner-dale 2. That would cater for its

council chamber in the decision.

The Lake District Mr Michael Heselsine, Secretary of State for the Environment, has agreed that the Emerdale charithese the county council chambers at the market of state for the secretary of State for the Environment, has agreed that the Emerdale chambers at the market of the county council chambers are the county considered at the present inquiry. If the scheme goes ahead it would leave Wast Water unaffected, with BNFL receiving the high quality water it needs by direct pipeline from Ennerdale to Wind-

scale.

The water authority spokes man said it thought its original Emerdale scheme was the best, but it accepted that the additional cost it would mean to BNFL for Wast Water, about £13m, was not justified.

Cheap energy is a thing of the past. So here's some ice for the ful

For several years now domestic gas consumers have enjoyed something of a bargain. other forms of energy for the foreseeable future, In a decade of soaring inflation, the price of gas in real terms has fallen by about a third. The promise of North Sea gas has been and will continue to be fulfilled.

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Fortunately, however, most people can do quite a lot to protect the family budget against the effects of these inevitable price increases.

Here are some simple ideas which will help you save gas - and save money into the bargain; and some ways to spread the cost of your gas more evenly over the year.

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which would relieve Protecting the advantages of
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MONEY SAVING TIPS... Stop Obvious Heat Losses and Wastage

* Keep doors and windows shut.

Keep curtains drawn where possible. Turn heating off in rooms not in use.

Use weatherstripping to stop draughts round doors and

Don't waste hot water.

thick, snug-fitting jacket.

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Don't waste your energy

o shot dead his two ries mounted and he was ildren in their beds neither eating nor sleeping properly and had become with urt yesterday. It was drawn On the morning before Peter Stephens, aged the killings bank clerk ner jockey, had also telephoned ham about a £250 to shoot his wife, overdraft. Then in the evening came two television news items which, he told his wife and hens denied murder.

the snotgun from him which, he told his wife and hens denied murder hildren, Lorina aged considerably. One was mother rise in the mortgage rate and he in Tower Road and his pleas of the other was the news of Professor. Anthony Blunt's treachery, Mr. Smythe said. f diminished responere accepted. He was probation for three cartridges from a cuptoard Mr. Justice Park on went into the children's bed-that he receives room and shot them.

r Smythe, QC, for the psychiatrists, two for the Crown and one for the defence, agreed that at the time of the killings arried in 1963, settled arried in 1963. ng instructor in Newbecame a loving and

killed by plank ider Lewis Thomas, a retired Royal Navy of Hawkley, Liss, e, was killed when he ed through the chest car hit a stationary ed with planks of the A3 at the Devil's definitional Survey.

Hindhead, Surrey

Reporters share award Mr Murray Rinchie, a

from an abnormality of the mind sufficient to substantially impair his responsibility:

After a sleepless night, Mr Stephens took the gun and four

reporter for the Glasgon Herald and Miss Margaret Milne, a reporter for the Glasgow Evening Times, have jointly won the Scottish Journalist of the Year Award in the first annual Fraser Preser Award Awards

Waiting for the Budget on child School transport clause not to be reinserted in Education Bill: cuts will have to be made elsewhere

In view of the decision in the House of Lords last week, the Government had decided not to reintroduce the school transport clauses into the Education (No 2)
Bill, Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary
of State for Education and
Science, said in a statement.
He added that in view of that decision, and the Government's acceptance of that decision, the option to charge for school transport was no louger open to local education authorities. But that in no way removed the obligation on local authorities to achieve the

in some other way. Mr Carlisle (Runcorn C) sald As the House will know, decisions were taken last week in the House of Lords to delete Clauses 23 and 25 of the Education (No 2) Bill (cheers). These clauses sought to empower local education authorities in England and Wales and education authorities in Scotland to charge for providing school

on local authorities to achieve the needed reductions in expenditure

an opportunity to consider the situation and has decided it would not be right to seek to reintro-duce the clauses (Labour cheers). Such consequential changes to the Bill as are necessary to give effect to this decision will be tabled as amendments for con-sideration at report stage in the

House of Lords.

As the House will also know, the Government decided last year that it was necessary for local authorities to reduce public expenditure and the rate support grant settlements for 1980-81 were

accordingly. It was the request of the Association of County Councils that, in making these reductions, local education authorities in England and Wales should be free, if they wished; to introduce charges for

wished; to introduce charges for providing school transport.
In view of the decision in the House of Lords last week, and the Government's acceptance of that decision, the option to charge is no longer open to local authorities. But this in no way removes the obligation on local authorities to achieve the needed reductions in expenditure in some reductions in expenditure in some other way (Conservative cheers).

Mr Neil Kinnock, chief Opposition spokesman on education (Bedwellty, Lab)—In bringing this statement to the House, the Government shows al like strategic capacity of the Grand Old Duke of York and the judicial sensitivity of Pontius Pilate.

As a consequence of what he is doing there will be an increase of a further 6 per cent in the cuts that he is already promoting in education. There will possibly, especially in those 20 education authorities that sort of jumped the gun, be cuts in classroom provision, sacking of teachers, reduction in capitation allowances and reduction in book allowances as a result of bringing forward in the Bill a totally misconceived pro-vision enabling local education authorities to charge for school

As Lady Young, Minister of State for Education, threatened in the House of Lords, the people most likely to be affected as a result of the Government's decision. sion will be handicapped children, children in need of nursery edu-cation, and those taking adult

Because the Government has now undertaken to endorse the will of the Lords, Mr Carlisle must also shoulder the obligation for making additional funds available. There must be a supplementary rate support grent so there will not be further harm to the structure and fabric of education because of the misbegotten ideas he put forward in the Education (No 2) Bill.

Mr Carlisie-There is no increase in the cuts as a result of the decision I have made. The decision to reduce expenditure had been made and was confirmed in the rate support grant. I do not understand what he

means about those 20 authorities who jumped the gun. Presumably be is referring to those authorities who were proposing to charge had they had the freedom to do. Yes, they will have to make those sav-ings by other means,

The point Lady Young was trying to make was that if authorities
were not able to make these reductions in expenditure by making
modest charges for transport they
would have to come out of some
other part of the educational budnet which was be disaburate out-

Last act before

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Order 1980 was improved.

The Southern Rhodesia (Constitu-

tion of Zimbabwe) (Elections

and Appointments) (Amendment)

Lord Trefaue, Lord in Waiting

moving approval, said it would

simplify the procedure for electing

ensure that no steps which the

Governor thought necessary to

ensure that the elections for the House of Assembly were free and

fair should be held to be in contra-

waining, said at question time.

Lord Campbell of Croy (C) had
asked how much was spent on staff
and activities directed to recruiting
for the Army in the last year for
which figures were available and
whether the Government gave any
assistance in the preparation of
Gone for a Soldier, broadcast on
March 9.

March 5.

Viscount Long—The estimated cost of the Army recruiting according to the Army recruiting to the cost of the

organization was £12,032,000 for the financial year 1978-79. Faci-

littes were made available to the makers of the television pro-gramme Gone for a Soldier to film Army recruiting and training acti-

Lord Campbell of Croy—I recognize that neither he nor the Government was responsible for the content of the programme. Its

effect was damaging to the repu-tation of the Army and its difficult

Gone for March 9.

vention of the constitution.

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House of Lords

Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles)—Will he clarify the remark made by Lady Young who seemed to imply that the cuts would have to be found within the education budget? That was not what Mr Carlisle said in his state-

There is something wrong with the whole direction of Conservative the whole direction of conservative policy when twice within weeks the Government has had to retreat on rural matters, first on rural post offices and secondly over school

Mr Carlisle—I made it clear these savings would have to be found by local authorities in some other area. That is consistent with our overall approach that it is a matter for local authorities to decide how they make their own reductions. mey make their own renuctions.

Mr George Thornton (Liverpool, Garston, C)—The inclusion of the clause and its consequential discretion was at the expressed wish of the local education authorities. The removal of this discretion means that inevitably the savings which are to be expected from local authorities may have an effect

local authorities may have an effect Mr Cartisle—It was at the expres-sed wish of the Association of County Councils who are themselves local education authorities. Part of our desire of having this clause in the Bill was to ensure reductions could be made in this

Mr Ernest Armstrong (Durham, North-West, Lab)—Any further cuts in the rest of the educational cuts in the rest of the educational budget will have a serious effect on the education of our children. Increased expenditure on educa-tion is necessary just as much as on law or order and defence if we are thinking about the future of our country.

Mr Carlisle—I have announced no additional cuts in educational expenditure today at all. All I have said is that one option of finding part of the necessary reduction has been closed by the decision, apparently supported by the Opposition the Opposition. We would all like to find many

make sure this country begins to live within its means. Sir Derek Walker-Smith (East Hertfordshire, C)—Since he explained that the primary reason for the imposition of transport charges was to ease out in the charges was to save cuts in the more sensitive and important parts of the educational system, what guidance does he propose to give to the local education give to the local education authorities who were prepared to impose transport costs to assist them in the solution of the invidious problems imposed upon

them? Mr Carlisle-The decisions are invidious for those authorities intending to make modest charges. On guidance, this was set out in our White Paper earlier this year. In the short term the local education authorities looking for savings will have to make their decisions as where best to make

Mr James Marshall (Leicester, South, Lab)—His decision is dis-graceful and disastrous. If local education authorities have to make reductions in their educational budgets, it will mean fewer ancillaries and fewer teachers in schools, as well as increased class

Mr Carlisle—He is talking sense. We are looking to all for a saving of 3.5 per cent in expenditure by authorities at a time when pupils have dropped by 5 per cent. We are accepting the decision of the Lords which he voted for in the Lords which be voted for in this House. If he is asking if I realize that some of the effect of accepting that decision may mean that reductions will have to be made elsewhere in more sensitive areas of the education budget, the answer is "Yes" and is what I repeatedly told the House. That is what the Opposition repeatedly ignored.

ignored.

Mr William van Straubenzee (Wokingham, C)—Has he noticed how many of the arguments in relation to church schools rest upon the alleged immutable nature of the 1944 settlement. Three times in the last 21 years, those churches which have been supplicants of the state on the basis of changed financial conditions have asked for changes in the financial arrangements. It is inconsistent that the same argument should not apply for the state.

Mr Carlisle—I am fully aware of Mr Cartisle-I am fully aware of

school transport in any have attacked the formed at that time.

Mr Christopher Ptice (Lewisham West, Lab)—In retrospect, it is a mistake for governments of either complexion to persuade local authorities to prepare for expenditure in their budgets which event ually turns out to be illegal only a few weeks before the end of the financial year. It is best to wait for the Royal Assent to Bills. Mr Cartisle-I accept it is unfor-

tunate and a pity that those authorities who spent a considerable amount of time preparing to introduce charges from April onwards have had their time wasted. They asked to have powers and the Government agreed to put Government agreed to put them into legislation. Those who wished to implement

t when free to do so decided to go ahead on the hope that legis-lation would come through. I regret that hope is no longer Mr Hugh Fraser (Stafford and Stone, C)-Mr Carlisle should be a little more magnanimous in defeat. The Lords and Commons have now come to the conclusion, admitted by the Government, that this burden should not fall upon the rural areas. Surely, it is up to the Government to find this \$20m or \$20m?

Mr Carlisle-I find it difficult to know how much more magnani-mous in defeat one can be than announce within three days that one accepts the result of that

Mr Jack Ashley (Stoke on Trent South, Lab)—He should be a South, Lab)—He should be a little more magnanimous and assure the House that neither children who are handicapped and special education, nor those children receiving nursery education, will in any way be penalized by his decision. Mr Carlisle—Everyone is con-cerned about the problems of handicapped children, but I can-not promise what the outcome of my decision will be. The 1980-81

rate support grant and cash limits have already been fixed. Sir John Eden (Bournemouth West, C)—He should take whatever steps are open to him to ensure that the reductions fall on the ancillary and administrative arms of the service and do not affect the provision of education. Mr Cariisle—I hope the authorities will look to those areas. I regret those authorities intending to charge for transport and not able now to do so, may make it more difficult for them to achieve that

Mr Dafydd Wigley (Caernaryon, Pl Cymru)—While welcoming the House of Lords decision and the Government's decision to accept it, does he realize the chaos fac-ing many authorities two weeks before the beginning of the financial year?

He should allow, at least for this year, additional resources from the centre or accept they will

raise rates to meet this burden. Mr Cartisle--- Mr Wigley represents a Welsh constituency and since only one of the local education authorities in Wales was proposing to put on any charge, it is not a relevant question (Conservative laughter).

laughter!.
After Lady Young, Minister of State for Education, had repeated the statement in the Lords, Lady David (Lab) for the Opposition said: We are glad and relieved to know that the Government has accepted the decision of the

There was such an upsurge in have been unwise for it to have ignored that.

Does Lady Young think it fair that, having been led up the garden path on these transport

clauses, local authorities should now have to find this money at the last minute? Would it not be possible to make some supplemen-tary allocation to the rate support grant? Viscount Simon (L) said the Gov-ernment's decision better reflected

opinion in the country than had the Commons decision when they sent the Bill to the Lords. Lady Young-The cash limit for the whole year has been set now and the concluding part of the statement must stand.

At least 20 authorities were planning to introduce charges. We estimate that the £20m savings required would have been achieved had they gone ahead. It would the changes made since 1944 in have been savings in net expendi-the relationship between the ture. Those contemplating charges churches and the state. I do not will have to find savings in other

Call for land tax changes

Leave was given to bring in a Bill to amend the Development Land Tax Act 1976 by repealing the section relating to the charge on deemed disposal, by enabling advance assessments to be reached on the calculation of gains and to introduce a system of rellet for development losses against development gains. velopment gains. Mr John Heddle (Lichfield and

Tamworth. C), who introduced the Bill, said he was concerned that to be not enough new homes were being gains.

built, particularly for young mar-ried first-time buyers and until the building industry started expanding again, no new jobs would be created in it.

His Bill would distinguish between the tax on windfall or speculative gains and gains created by a combination of endeavour, expertise, enterprize and risk. It sought to allow advanced valuation and to permit development losses to be offset against developmen

Avoiding chaos in Lambeth

BBC refused to change 'Gone for a soldier'

Lord Hailsbam of St Marylebone, The Lord Chancellor moved the second reading of the National Health Service (Invalid Direction) Bill which, he said, would give statutory authority until March 31 to all that would have been done by the commissioners appointed to the Lambeth, Southwark and Lew-The order was among the last steps the Government would take before Rhodesia joined the world community and Commonwealth as a free and independent Zimbabwe. The order would facilitate that

television programme Gone for a soldier it is possible that the Ministry of Defence may be more selective in helping the media in future. Viscount Long, Lord in Waiting, said at question time.

Lord Campbell of Cray (C) had a list of the light of the public had also paid for out of the light of the granted more selectively in future.

Although we had the bird of the granted more selectively in future.

Viscount Long-The producer of

the programme requested assist-ance as long ago as December, 1977, when the Ministry of Defence

was given a synthesis of the pro-gramme. It was not until the pre-

view that the department became aware of the editorial slant and

requested cuts in sequences which in its view were blased and unre-

presentative, but the request was denied.

Representations have been made at high level to the BBC. The Under-Secretary for the Army, answering questions in the Com-mons on March 11, gave the Gov-

ernment's general reaction. The Ministry of Defence has no wish to reserve editorial rights over pro-

grammes of this type other than on grounds of national security and would not wish to place more res-

isham Area Health Authority (Teaching) by Mr Patrick Jenkin, secretary of State for Social Ser-vices. The Bill, which has passed the Commons was read a second time.
The Consolidated Fund (No 2)
Bill was read a second time and
passed the remaining stages.

granted more selectively in future.

Although we had this biased programme levelled against our sol-

diers the current recruiting perfor-mance has been encouraging.

There has been a marked upturn in recruiting since we restored Sevice pay to its appropriate level.

From April, 1979, to March this year Army recruiting was 20 per cent higher than in the same

period last year. It is vital that this

The targets next year are higher and help to make up for the short-

fall in recruiting over the past two or three years. I hope that what-ever has happened during this pro-

gramme recruiting will continue as

Lord Shinwell (Lab)-History.

however damaging and deplorable, is acceptable as long as we can escape from it. Do not the recruit-

ing figures indicate that the pro-

improvement is sustained.

and jobless benefit changes Mr Callaghan told Mrs Thatcher that it would be a disgrace and undertaking, in view of the rise

later that it would be to the Government's lasting shame if it did not increase unemployment benefits by the relevant amount to keep them up with inflation, but the Prime Minister would not be drawn beyond referring him to the drawn beyond referring him to the Budget next week.

During question time Mr David Ennais (Norwich, North, Lab) asked about press léaks that a Government decision had been made to cut back or redeem £12 which would have been paid to strikers' wives and families. He asked her to draw the Chancellor's attention to the speech by Sir Keith Joseph at the Conserva-tive Party conference when he

had explained that it would cause great hardship to families and would be an intolerable thing for a Government to do. Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley,

C)—There was reference to it in the Conservative Party manifesto on which we fought the last election. Plans are under way which we hope will be announced within a few weeks (Labour protests.) Fresh legislation will be required. Mr James Callaghan Leader of the

makes nation

The need for understanding and cooperation of trade unions at

work places was essential, particu-larly at a local level, Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for

Mr William van Straubenzee (Wokingham, C) had asked what proportion of Great Britain's working population were members of trade umons.

Mr Prior (Lowestoft C)—The pro-

portion at the end of 1978, the latest date for which information is

available, was 49 per cent. The working population consists of employees in employment, employers and self-employed persons, HM forces and registered unemployed.

Mr van Straubenzee-Does that

proportion not show the great responsibility that rests upon those, particularly who are in a position of leadership in the trade unions and particularly at a local level, to secure cooperation in the work process?

encourage that in the interests of

Mr Prior—The answer to the first part is "yes". As to the second, despite the fact there are a lot of

difficulties ahead and probably some strong disagreements, the need for understanding and co-

operation is essential, particularly at local level. Our nation works best when it shares its problems and works together.

Mr Ioan Evans (Aberdare, Lab)—

The trade union membership is increasing despite the scale of unemployment. Would be recognize that the trade union movement has

an important role to play in indusan important role to play in indus-trial relations?

Would he encourage those people not in a trade union to join their appropriate trade union?

Mr Prior—I recognize that trade

unions have a vital part to play in

given encouragement to people to join trade unions. What is more

important is that they should not just join, they should play, an

active part

Speaker to

about clerk

check on story

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas) agreed to look into allegations made in press reports that a clerk

to a select committee of the House had been transferred and demoted because of pressure from officials at the Ministry of Defence.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab)—If the report is accurate this is surely a matter of considerable importance to this House, Are ministers' senior offi-

cials to be in a position where because they dislike the attitude of

the clerk in carrying out his duties

to the committee and the House, they can say in effect whether that clerk should be transferred to

Other work?

An investigation should take place and if the situation is found to be that the report is true then one hopes the services of the person concerned will be restored to

The Speaker-If there were any

Interference by a minister of the Crown with a clerk doing his job in the House of course it would be a

serious matter.
The stationing of clerks to the

The stationing of cierks to the various committees does not fall within my field. It is within the field of the Clerk of the House. I will look into this matter.

He later said he would not mind making a statement to the House.

making a statement to the House on the matter and added: I believe

a great many of Mr Winnick's fears will be proved to be unfounded.

Parliamentary notices

House of Lords Inday at 2.30 Debates on cooneration between NHS and private medical ser-vices: energy conservation; and small village schools.

lorable was historical and factual.

Is unlikely to do any damage and
that the conditions now prevailing
in the forces are on the whole
satisfactory compared with what
they have been in the past?

Viscount Long-Morale in our

Lord Tranmire (C)-Some of the

incidents in Northern Ireland and Cyprus were extremely inaccurate and disappointed many ex-Service-

men who were in action in both places. May that be conveyed to the Chairman of the BBC?

Viscount Long-Strong words have

already been written to the BBC. At this stage the next time round they will probably find it a little more difficult to get through such a situation. Our troops have done a most wonderful job in monitoring the Rhodening already are in the Rhodening already and the situation.

ing the Rhodesian elections. This was not brought out in the programme as it was too early for it.

armed forces is much higher.

House of Commons Today at 2.30; Social remaining stages.

he do all he can to

Sharing of

problems

work best

Prior, Secretary Employment, said.

work process? Will be de

place this year, that there will be no breaking of the link between unemployment benefits and the rise in prices which would make the unemployed worse off?

Mrs Thatcher—I will not give any assurance which is likely to be dealt with in the Budget. Mr Callaghan must await that state-

Mr Callaghan-That answer will. grace to the Government if it attempted to save public expendi-ture at the expense of the unem-ployed and sick in this country? (Labour cheers). Mrs Thatcher—Mr Callaghan must await the Budget but I am hardly likely to take criticism from ham when it was he who doubled un-

Mr Callaghan-Does Mrs Thatcher Mr Callagnan—Does Mrs Inaciner not yet realize the link between unemployment and the level of benefits is of paramount importance to those likely to be put out of work by Government financial policy?

record for unemployment in the post-war period (Labour protests). Of course his side of the House do not like me saying it.
About child benefits, he knows he must await the Budgett He

with these benefits.

because otherwise, if they are no increased substantially, by the increase in prices; that will increase the so-called distincentive to work for the unemployed?

goes on knowing that he must await the announcements in the Budget. He has been Charcellor

Mr Callaghan-Mrs Thatcher was ready to give an assurance re-cently about the payment of health service charges. Why not a similar assurance now unless she is proposing to run away? (Conservative protests). If she is not, she should not be atraid to

Mrs Thatcher-He has the worst

and Prime Minister and he know

Birs Thatcher—Mr Callaghan will have to contain his impatience for a few days longer until the

Minister determined to get legislation that will last

proposed changes to the Employ-He said he had received repre-

sentations from a number of organizations, including the TUC and CBI, on the consultation paper on trade union immunities. The period for consultations would come to an end on Friday and he would consider all the representations before drawing up an appropriate amendment to the Bill. Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—Will he recognize the pitfall of creating marryrs in his attempts to redress the balance of power on the shop floor? Would he recognize the example of the tortoise rather than the hare as being more likely to succeed in the task in which we all wish him well?

wish him well? Mr Prior—I am grateful for his good wishes. At times I have been accused of being too much of a tortoise. I recognize the enormous pitfall there is in this legislation and I am determined to get it right so that it can stay on the statute book for a period of many years.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North, Lab)—All attempts to victimize and discriminate against the trade union movement would be as strongly resisted as the 1971 Industrial Relations Act.

of that Act or in a dispute like Grunwick, the image of the Tory Party is one of deep hostility to the trade union movement. It is: time it learnt to live with that

Mr Prior—I am aware that there are millions of trade unionists and a vast majority of trade unionists who wish to see this measure on the statute book, protecting their individual and trade union rights. Mr Michael Latham (Melton, C)— While he has been compared to a sloth, a rhinoceros and a tortoise, would Mr Prior accept the assurance that we consider what came out of the McShane judgment shows that his opposition to the 1974 and 1976 Acts was right all along and that the balance now needs redressing? Mr Prior-We are seeking to get

legislation which can stand the test of time. It will not be perfect or always operate in the way some people think it should. It will be a great improvement on what this House has passed in the last 30

Mr. Giles Radice (Chester-le-Street Lab!—The new tests proposed as regards capability and motive with respect to industrial action, will delight the lawyers and do nothing to improve industrial relations. Mr Prior-That is precisely why published the consultation docu-ment and am listening carefully to

One in three vacancies

notified to job centres joining the unemployment register in the three months ending in January was 382,000 and average number which left was 363,000 per month, Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, said during questions on recording job

Mr Prior (Lowestoft, C) said be appreciated that the existing arrangements for recording job vacancies did not provide a mea-sure of total vacancies.

As a general guide, there were

ment services.

However, changes in the numbers of registered vacancies did provide a useful indication of

Mr Sydney Chapman (Barnet, Chipping Barnet, C)—If, as he stated, only a third of the vacancies in any area are recorded at the local job centre there ought to be a more vigorous campaign directed towards employers or potential employers in the job centre area to draw to their attention the facili-

ties available and the good chances of recruiting from vacancies put at job centres. Mr Prior-Yes, this could be helpful. In the case of the Post Office and British Rail certain discussions have been held so that they notify more of their vacancies to job centres.

Mr John Butcher (Coventry, South-West, C)—Will he inform us of the rate of turnover in the number of vacancies notified and what effect this has on the turn-over in the long and short-term unemployed on the register? about three times as many vacan.
cles in the economy as those notified to the Government employMr Prior—The average inflow of Mr Prior.—The average inflow of vacancies in the three months ending January was 207,000 per month and the average outflow was 215,000 per month. The average number joinging the unemployment register in the three months ending January was 382,000 and the average leaving was 363,000 per month.

Some 200,000 of the unemployed have been unemployed for four weeks or less and 1,100,000 for 12 months or less. So there is a clear in and out situation.

Mrs Thatcher's that to hold back paym to Community bud

If there was not an equitable solu-tion over the United Kingdom's contribution to the (EEC budget the Government would have to consider withholding parts of its contribution. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said at question time. But I hope it will not come to that (she added). (Cheers.)

Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C) had been asked by Mr Iver C) if she could confirm that the anticipated net budgetary contribution this year to the EEC budget would be in the region of £1,100m. If so (he went on) unless there is a successful outcome to the nego-dations in Brussels there will be a

there were no change our contribu-tion to the European budget this year would be £1,100m or more because the final budget for the Community as a whole has not yet been fixed. Mrs Thatcher—I confirm that if

that Britain should bution to the Mark As these are the on will she accept the Mrs Thatcher—I wo that those are to options. It is not only the contributions wh is the lack of rece out.
We are trying to receipts to substite expenditure we alrow get a better or receipts from the Communication of the communication of

Mr Robert MacLem and Sutherland, La Thatcher recognize ening to consider wi threats of that kind? is extremely strong that it should be r

More imaginative sch for youth employment

More imaginative schemes for the forecast by the employing young people might be put before the House before long, Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, said during questions.

Mr Cyril Smith (Rochdale, L) had said—The time has come to propose some kind of new initiative to encourage employers to create jobs for school leavers.

He has considered the possibility than has been plant. of an all-party appeal, to the CBI, small firms, with the use of media and television and things of that and reference new thinking and new initiatives to persuade employers perhaps to take on one-more school leaver than they otherwise would have done? Mr Prior (Lowestoft, C)—I wel-come what he has said, although I think there are difficulties in mak-ing a specific appeal to small businesses at this time.

We need to be more imaginative in the schemes that we are contem-plating for young people and it hope before long to bring before the House more imaginative

Mr John Grant, an Opposition spokesman on employment (Isling-ton, Central, Lab)—Has he seen months we have been

is likely to double
He must have see economic forecasts, latest one from t
Economic Policy shows the extent of It requires a gre-than has been pla-what is the Govern-deal with the grown the long-term men from cutting back f Mr Prior-Forecast taken with a degree which is what happe last Government.
The youth oppo gramme will be e 210,000 entrants: 260,000 in 1980.81 T us to give the same to the school leaver given in former year I am worried abo of youth unemploym long-term unemploy are factors which re

Voluntary ballots bett

More union ballots should be held by voluntary means. Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, said during questions about the steel strike.

Mr Michael Brown (Brigg and Scunthorpe, C) said: The time has come for Mr Prior to meet Mr Bill Sirs again and raise with him the question that after 12 weeks of a strike and when the workforce in

question that after 12 weeks of a strike, and when the workforce in British Steel have had no opportunity of expressing their view except in a ballot about a ballot, he should instruct his executive to hold a ballot for the workforce. If Mr Sirs disagrees with him, there is a case for the Government bringing forward legislation to compel the union to hold a secret Mr Prior—I am prepared to meet Mr Sirs if he wishes to come to see me. I understand the chairman of British Steel has said they will hold a further hallot if the unions refuse

to hold their own and refuse arbi-As for making ballots compul- have obeyed the law.

asked for a correction to be made

Vote misrecorded Mr Gordon Bagier (Sunderland, South, Lab) said he had not voted The Government moting the Soviet inva-hanistan and believi United Kingdom sho for the Government in last night's debate on the Olympic Games but had voted with those who disagreed with the Government. He

ment to law-breaking Mir Prior-Yes. I v any incitement to law the two occasions wh pute, the trade union Majority for games boycott

cess if we could hol-by voluntary means

which we are more people voting on the than on the fact the made compulsory.

two sides can get settle this dispute c by means of arbitrati ballot or simply by a

in the Iron and Stee

part in the Olympic G-cow was carried on h by 315 votes to 147-majority, 168. No immediate EEC cash for Channel tunn

However enthusiastic people might be about the prospects of a Chan-nel tunnel, it would be optimistic to suppose that expenditure on construction could begin to flow in any significant amount within three years, Mr Kenneth Clarke, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Transport, said late on Monday night. Construction could take

In an adjournment debate on the In an adjournment debate on the possibility of a Channel tunnel, Mr Clarke (Rushcliffe, C) said a Government statement on this would be made tomorrow (Wednesday). There were a number of misconceptions about any such project. Contrary to many reports, there was no immediately available pool of European money waiting to be of European money waiting to be pumped into a project. Nor, in the immediate future, was there any possibility of a flow of EEC funds

ary problems within the Comclear-cut distinction between the immediate short-term problem of the European wudget and Britain's contribution to it on the one hand,

The Government was interested

However, they must be realistic about the riming of any tunnel an the scale of EEC assistance likely to flow into any such link. With

the best will in the world, any link would require a great deal of prep-To the Government, there was a

in the possibility of transport pro-jects being financed by the EEC and was looking for spending in the United Kingdom in the near future to redress the present imba-lance in its budgetary contribu-tion.

and the longer-term one of infrastructure aid from the EEC on the

Britain with its budgetary prob-lems, had to look even wider than a single project, even one of the scale of a tunnel. The Government had responded

favourably to the suggestion of aid to transport infrastructure but it

needed to know precisely what the details were going to be. It wished to know important details about the likely scale of any contributions and what criteria would be applied. The Government would prefer to

These were an important part of Britain's link with the remainder of the Community.

The Commission several lines of ac European transport co next meeting a draft r Community financial transport infrastructur The Commission's v. community support w cases be in the form guarantees of loans. C also be available in si but were unlikely to a 23 per cent of the schemes concerned.

The most immediate nel link project l Government was the Bi SNCF report. He w would not be the only

Mrs Thatcher accused of attack on women's rights

that was one of the biggest ironies in Britain's political

history. He told his union's Scottish regional council in Glasgow:
"It is not just the rights of
women at work but women as citizens, entitled to a decent education for themselves and their children and the provision of those social services which make the difference between a caring and a heartless society". Mr Basnett, who is also chairman of the TUC economics committee, added: "We have the ment has not always done in Equal Pay Act and the Sex Discrimination Act, but we should be fooling ourselves to pretend that because they are on the statute book the job is done.
"Certainly, they have out-lawed some of the more blatunt acts of discrimination, but en-

The election of Britain's first the law, by itself, is not nearly woman Prime Minister had enough Indeed, if we were to been accompanied by a sustained attack on women's rights, the Government itself should be union leader said yesterday. Mr David Basnett, general crimination against women."

ecretary of the General and He said those were: withsecretary of the General and He said those were: with-Municipal Workers' Union, said drawing money from nursery education, so preventing many women working at all; cutting social services to the elderly and disabled, which often meant that women had to sacrifice themselves to look after them: making it lawful again for many employers to dismuss women for becoming pregnant, which en-couraged unacceptable restric-

tions on recently won abortion rights. Mr Basnett added, however duty by women workers". His union, for example, had been trying to do something about the difficulty with a de-partment at its head office being solely concerned with equal

Its executive council had also decided to establish a system of Our troops do a good job. It was unfortunate that the producer got arc still disadvantaged.

"All this helps to prove that tees throughout the union. equal rights advisory commit-

see ports and airports included as possible projects for ald under any transport infrastructure fund.

scheme to come forward certainly one the Gove

addition to a pension The RAF said: "If Keven is discharged

considered for a disal

sion awarded by the ment of Health an

Minister to meet family of paralysed airman

Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Under- after him if he is Secretary of State for the RAF, and what treatment is has agreed to meet the family to stimulate his bri of a young airman paralysed tion.

Leading Aircraftman Keven
Dawn, aged 19. is under intended to any a result of the actions are sufficient to act of the action in Ely, Cambridgeshire, after The RAF said: "If falling into a vat of toxic cleaning fluid while on duty 18 vice he will be eligi months ago.

He cannot speak and is barely able to move. Specialists have warned his mother, Mrs June Wilson, and his stepfather, Leonard, that there is no hope of a recovery and that he will spend the rest of his life in a

field Walk, Yaxley, near reter-borough, will travel to White-hall on Friday. Mr Wilson said: "It has been a long hard strug-"It has been a long hard strug-ther now we seem to be expected to leave for getting somewhere. "Doctors have told us there

is no hope and that he will be in hospital for the rest of his life, but we want to make sure he will be well cared for." The family's solicitors said: ges ag
"We want to know whether injuries
the RAF will continue to look - Forces.

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Security.

The decision if awarded a pension is t theirs alone and I ca whether it would be hospital bed.

The couple, who live at Highfield Walk, Yaxley, near Peterhorough will served at Miles

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speculation in ecclecies whether the old. f the Ukranians will ssed and papal-granted for a patriarch, to follow Catholic stern-rite

Josef Slipyj the of Lvov and head ainian Catholics, is I has lived the last the Vatican after 8 years in Siberia. il VI never yielded es from the 20 bishops and their faithful scattered ld to grant recognipatriarch. Nor has Paul However, the themselves consider. spite of the papal approval.

a today convened a Cardinal Jan Willebrands, the lonal synod — of head of the Secretariat for ional synon — or inear or the Syzanine rite Christian Unity, is at present start next Monday. in the Soviet Union at the head of a delegation for theological discussions with the Orthodox to "provide for the Church, and may have the opportunity of discussing with hosts the Ukrainian

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Latin Mass : In a move towards accommodating traditionalists, the Pope told bishops today to respect the desire of Roman Catholics who want Mass said in Latin, which he called "the splendid language of ancient

In a 50-page letter made public in Rome by the Vatican, the Pope warned the faithful against attempts to "desacralize everything", and called for an end to divisions over church

liturgy, or the prescribed form of worship.

"Above all, I wish to emphasize that the problems of the liturgy, and particular of the Eucharistic liturgy, must not be an occasion for dividing Catholics and for threatening

the unity of the church," he Traditionalists, like Archbishop Marcel Lafebre, celebrate the Tridentine Mass, which is said in Latin instead of the local language, and is no

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The interview was, in general terms, an attack on the presi-dency of M Giscard which be dismissed as being "not bril-liant." and on the economic policits of M Raymond Barre,

the Prime Minister, which he predicted would cause France to sink into deeper and deeper The President, he said, had created a political system in

which he assumed personal re-sponsibility for everything which was going on rather than as in the past simply reserving one or two important areas for his personal attention. This meant that the Covernment did M Chirac added his voice to

the growing campaign of those who believe it is irrelevant to only thing which Georges Marchais, the Com-urope, that is the munist Party leader, was a Nazi ricultural policy, is collaborator in the Second allenged by Great World War. The Gaullist leader also rejected the idea put forward by M Marchals of a commission of inquiry into the past careers of leading politicians.

The President himself also a statement last night in which he said he disapproved personal attacks against politicians.

The Communist Party newspaper l'Humanité has greeted this apparent absolution by the head of state as "ambiguous and even "dangerous". In the paper's view this statement by I shows that, great the President is an attempt to that he is he clearly draw a veil over the real at this is the view scandals of the country.

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The demonstration broke up

Consulate to close

Nice, March 18-The oldest American consulate in Europe shutting down four others in



France delays Bill to curb the guillotine

The guillotine has still a lot of life in it, a Paris afternoon the ways are the statement by M. Alain Peyrafitte, the Minister of Justice, to a meeting of judges at the Versailles Court of

Appeal yesterday.
The minister declared that after the recent series of grue-some murders, which had provoked widespread public indignation, it was too early to introduce a Bill in parliament for the partial abolition of the death penalty. The bill was ready, but the time was not

ripe.
The Government promised last year that the Bill would be discussed by parliament in the spring session. But a Ministry of Justice spokesman said today the general debate in the National Assembly and the Senate has shown that the people's elected representatives are deeply divided on the issue, while many opinion polls showed that the vast majority of the French people remains opposed to abolition."

He denied, however, that dis-cussion of the Bill would be postponed until 1981-after the presidential elections in June, it was generally assumed, for

obvious political reasons.

M. Peyrefitte repeated the argument he has frequently used that so grave a question could only be discussed by parliament when passions had subsided and public confidence had here. been restored. But the aboli-tionists contend, with some justification, that this amounts to postponing it indefinitely, since both conditions are never likely to be mer fully; and that it is for the Government and

parliament to lead public opinion in this matter, not the other way round.
The proposed Bill, in any

case, makes substantial con-cessions to public opinion. In the first place, it does not abolish capital punishment out-right, but maintains it for particularly grievous crimes, like the murder of hostages, of policemen and old people. Secondly, it reinforces after-native penalties, by making life

imprisonment truly lifelong instead of 20 years or so at present, with remissions of sentence for good conduct; and lastly, it would be introduced for only a five-year trial period.

M Philippe Seguin, a leading
Gaullist supporter of an abolition Bill adopted last June by
the legal committee of the National Assembly, declared today that the minister's argu-

ments betrayed a poor opinion

It also showed a determ tion to change nothing in an intolerable situation illustrated once more by the verdict in the Garceau affair (concerning a man tried for two murders within 26 years, first sentenced to death last year; but con-demned at a retrial last week

life imprisonment). The death penalty, he added, was now nothing more than an alibi for an ill-adapted judicial

M Peyrefitte, in his statement yesterday, referred implicitly to the Garceau affair. There wa a contradiction, he said, he tween the view of the people in favour of capital punish ment, as expressed in opinion polls sinc 1970, and the repeated decisions of junes, which are nevertheless the re-flection of this same people.

Attempt to escape by car to West Berlin foiled

From Our Correspondent Berlin, March 18

An attempt by a West German driver to crash through the barrier of the Drewitz checkpoint leading to West Berlin was foiled by East German border guards last night, the East German news agency ADN reported today.

According to evewitnesses, the guards discovered a woman hidden in the car boot after siezing the driver. Meanwhile at Bernauer Strasse in the north of Berlin,

which forms the border between the two parts of the city, East German workers began erecting a new wall under the watchful eyes of border guards. It is the third wall there, each of them about 17ft high. Between the walls there are tank obstacles and mines in the so-called death strip.

It is being assumed that the facades which remained after

the houses had been demolished on the East Berlin side of the border will be removed once the new wall is completed. Several East Berliners jumped out of the windows of those houses into West Berlin after the building of the first wall Some of them met their death

Simple crosses and small plaques remind passers by of the victims of the wall.

in their home country and are trained to move rapidly to a force concentration area before being committed to action.

Germany. Rapid reinforcement of the area is a major consideration, General Bernard Rogers, Supreme Allied Commander,

It would be done mostly by

Discussions for assembling stocks have been going on be-tween the United States and

Lingering bitterness of Algerian war shown by rival ceremonies

From Charles Hargove Paris, March 18

Like the German occupation, the scars of the Algerian war are by no means healed yet. It has branded a whole generation of Frenchmen old enough have lived and fought

The controversy over the date, March 19, when the cease-fire ended ten years of bitter conflict, illustrates the depth of feeling it still rouses in France. The National Federation of

Ex-Servicemen in Algeria, Morocca and Tunisia, has called all its members to a ceremony of remembrance at the Arc de Triomphe tomorrow evening. M Wladislas Marek, the president, points out in an article in Le Monde today, that more than 800 municipalities of all political complexions throughout the country have officially recognized the anniversary of the end of the Algerian war.

His federation want the Government to take the same step. He says that more than 30,000 young Frenchmen died in that war and it was only last year that the survivors were officially granted the status of

An action committee seeking respect for the memory of civilians and military who died for French Algeria will, it announced, hold a press con-

ference toniorrow.

It will condemn the "dishonour" of commemorating what it describes as a "political defeat", and hold a counter-demonstration at the Arc de Triomphe on Saturday.

The committee includes such rominent personalities as M Jacques Soustelle, a former Minister of General de Gaulle and Governor-General of Algeria, M Pierre Poujade, founder of the small shopkeepers' movement, M Michel de Saint Pierre, the writer, and M Leon Delbecque, the former

spokesman of the Committee for

Public Safety of French

The committee has issued a

statement saying that it is "shameful to glorify the loss of 15 French departments, the beginning of the massacre of 100,000 Muslims loyal to France, the announcement of the hunting down of French-men in Algeria, ad the start of an exodus of a millon French

citizens in appalling conditions. The National Federation of x-servicemen in Africa, the The reason is not far to seek. independent right-wing daily,

ago has now reported that there

filtrated by the communists and means to celebrate the anniversary of the victory of the Algerian National Libera-tion Front, and therefore the defeat of France. For good measure, another

committee intends to celebrate next Mey and June at Toulon the 150th anniversar vof the landing at Sid Ferruch, near Algiers, of the French expeditionary corps under General de Bourmont, which was the start-ing point of the whole Algerian

The Government does not intend to get involved in this ne wepisode of what President Giscard d'Estaing has described as the Franco-French war. The Minister for Ex-Servicemen said in a letter to the National Association of Ex-Servicemen of Algeria that he would neither take part in the cele-brations of March 19 nor put any obstacle in their way.

He points our that President Giscard d'Estaing and the Government fully approve the com-memoration of the dead of the

But the diffeon associations of former servicemen must first agree on a date.

Soviet blow for French détente

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, March 18

seems to be no chance of a Soviet change of heart and that no withdrawal was either im-French Foreign Ministry officials are coming reluct-antly to the belief that the Soviet Union has no intention minent or likely. The increasing evidence of a major Soviet offensive against o fwithdrawing from Afghanis-tan until it has crushed all rebellion in the country. France is the only Western

country to have maintained a Union since the Afghan inter-

Ever since the invasion. Paris has sought to keep open its lines of communication with Moscow in the belief that a continued policy of détente was the best way of persuading Soviet leaders to agree to withdraw their troops.

However, a top-level French

guerrilla forces in Afghanistan gives weight to the French missions viewpoint. The Soviet invasion was de-scribed as "inacceptable" by

the French from the start, but there was a real belief that a continued dialogue would pro-duce results and that the Kremlin would be constrained to make at least some gesture to make the tension out of the situation. However, there is little chance

that France will alter its belief in détente. There are no plans,

the Soviet Foreign Minister, to visit Paris later this year.

But it is thought likely that to stay away, at least for the time being, knowing that there can be no fruitful discussions with the French while the Afghan situarion remains as it

absolutely no interest at all Moscow for the British idea the "neutralization" of Afghanistan and that no other face-saving way of withdrawing its troops is likely to be con-sidered by Russia. France believes the best way of influenc-ing a Soviet withdrawal is to encourage non-aligned countries to bring pressure on Moscow.

Magistrate murdered by: terrorists on city bus

From Our Correspondent Rome, March 18

Terrorists claimed their ninth victim in Italy's judiciary in less than four years when Signor Girolamo Minervini, aged 60, a magistrate at the Court of Cassation, was killed on a bus in Rome roday on his

way to work.

Police said four youths boarded the crowded bus with ... Signor Minervini, and one of them fired up to seven times as they stood by him. Three passengers were slightly injured. A telephone call from the Red Brigades subsequently claimed retsponsibility for the murder. Signor Frencesco Cossige, the Prime Minister, immediately went to the scene.

The dead magistrate had a personal bodyguard in his last post, which was with the prison service, but has been without one since joining the Court of Cassation, Italy's highest court The Red Brigades have also

claimed responsibility for killing ciaimed responsibility for killing Signor Nicola Giacumbi, the chief public prosecutor in Salerno, on Sunday evening as he returned home with his wife from vistning relatives.

The offensive against the judiciary started in May, 1976, with the murder in Genoa of Signor Francesco Coro. the chief

Signor Francesco Coco, the chief public prosecutor, his body-guard and driver. An alleged member of the group involved in those killings is on trial in

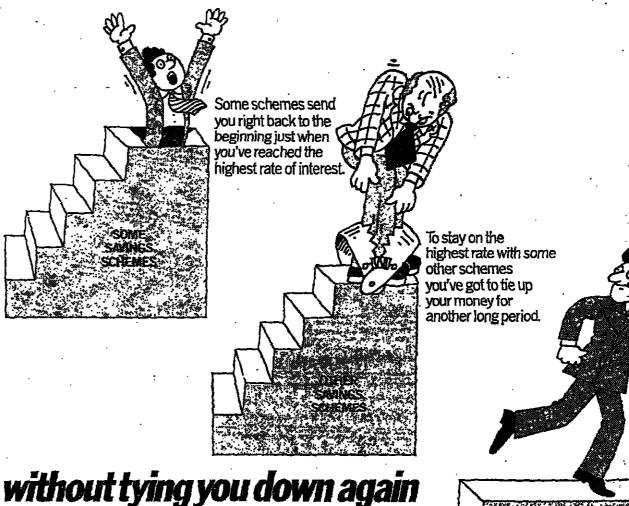
The most senior judge to have been killed was signor Vittorio Bachelet, the deputy head of the Supreme Council of the Magistracy, who was murdered in Rome on February 12

Justice already functions slowly. To strike fear into the judiciary, as well as politicians and industrialists, is evidently part of the terrorists' str for destabilizing the state.

Six killed in Turkey

Ankara, March 18.-Political violence in Turkey has claimed six lives in the past 24 hours.

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Commander in Chief be the extreme flanks-Turkey Regular exercises are held said that, on the contrary, by-holding this exercise several in these countries, although the composition of the force varies. miles clear of the border Norway was showing It is equipped and organized to fight alongside the forces

of the bost nation. It is here in Norway, according to General Farrar-Hockley, that the defence of Britain begins. Soviet aircraft and ships have to come out through the gap between Norway and the North Cape, or out of the Baltic Sea. The barrie for Britain and the

difficult to conduct and win if the Norwegian bases were lost The British element of the Aporak Express force consists of The 1st Battalion, The Prince of Wales Regiment of Yorkshire, normally stationed at Bulford, as well as artillery, reconnaissance, signals, intelli-

Atlantic would be much more

Similar-sized detachments are considered by Nato planners to provided by Canada and Italy. soon.

West Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg also have units available for the force. Troops are normally stationed

The force is at present commanded by Major-General Alexander Weyand, of the United States Army, with a small international head quarters usually based in West

Europe, said today. prepositioning stocks of heavy equipment and stores to enable outside reinforcements to be moved here quickly by air and

Norway and are expected to end

US 'intrigues against Olympics' will fail, Moscow asserts

From Michael Binyon Moscow, March 18

The Moscow Olympics will go ahead this summer, the Russians asserted defiantly today, in spite of what they called the intrigues of the enemies of the Olympic movement".

A lengthy leading article in Pravda called the movement to boycott the games an unceremonious interference in sport. The sole aim of the movement, it said, was to bolster President Carter's personal ambitions and ensure his reelection.

"In Washington it is no secret that the campaign to wreck the Olympics is being conducted purely for political purposes. Carter and his team' do not need rapprochement between peoples and nations, which is promoted by the Olympic movement, but solits, disunity and tension." Pravda did not refer directly

to the Geneva meeting called by the United States, Britain and Australia to discuss an alternative sporting competition, or to the British Parliament's vote for a boycott last

But it accused Mr Lloyd Cutler the White House adviser at the talks, of intentionally misleading sportsmen by trying to convince them that the Carter Administration's venture could replace their participa-

tion in Moscow. The paper accused Washington of subjecting countries, governments and arhietes to "rude pressure and blackmail". It said threats were being made to refuse passports for trips to the Soviet Union, to ban leave and to present members of and to prevent members of Olympic teams going abroad.
"Such are human rights and freedoms American style! This is what stands behind the American Administration's prat-tling about civil rights!"

Pravda said that since the start of the modern Olympic movement, its organizers had tried to prevent individuals or

governments from using the games for political or commer-cial benefit. That was fully supported by the Russians. "If sport is turned into a survitor of politics, this spells an end to the Olympic Games and international sports in general."

The stand taken by the American Administration was described as a caricature. Pravda noted that the president of the United States Olympic Committee had commented on President Carter's remark that his position on the games was irreversible. by saying that nothing was irreversible but folly and death.

The paper also accused the The paper also accused the Administration of mixing sport with a policy of undermining detente and cooperation in international affairs.

Meanwhile, a Tass report from Dublin quoted the president of the Irish Olympic Committee as saying that the decision to offer the services of the Irish Olympic attaché to British

Irish Olympic attache to British athletes in Moscow was a natural step within the Olym-

pic movement.".

The Irish attaché is Mr
Alexei Shturmin. a leading
Soviet karate official. He has been offered as a replacement for Mr Douglas Martin, the British diplomat who is to be recalled from Moscow, and has just returned from Ireland and Britain where he had discus-

sions with Olympic officials.

Tass today reported a press conference given in Paris by Mr Vladimir Popov. the deputy chairman of the Soviet organizing committee, who said the present Content conference. the present Geneva conference was "but one of the episodes the general anti-Olympic

He added: "We are convinced that the projects under discussion in Geneva will not enlist any international support since they utterly contradict the Olympic Charter and the traditions of the sports move-

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Round-up of dissidents in **Soviet Union continues**

From Our Own Correspondent Moscow, March 18

The wave of arrests of dissidents and malcontents in and around the five Soviet cities where Olympic competitions are to be held this summer shows no sign of dying down. A leading Estonian dissident who recently called for the games to be moved from Moscow has just been arrested, his wife told Western corre-

Mr Juri Kukk, a former Communist Party member and lecturer in chemistry at Tartu University, was picked up by police in Tartu and is now presumed to be in Tallinn, the Estonian capital and site of the Olympic yachting competi-

tion.

Mr Kukk has signed several open letters of protest this year, including a call for the transfer of the games from Moscow in protest against Soviet annexation of the Baltic states in 1940.

He lost his lectureship in 1978 after renouncing his party membership, and his friends now expect him to be charged with anti-Soviet slander.

Meanwhile, Igor Korchnoi, the son of Viktor Korchnoi, the defecting Soviet chess grand-master, has begun serving a two-and-a-balf-year sentence a labour camp imposed on him by a Leningrad court in Decem-bef for evading military call-

His mother, Mrs Bela Korchnoic, said her son left for a camp in the Kurgen region of Central Russia on March 2, and she had not yel received word from him. Mr Korchnoi pleaded no guilt at his trial. His appea

against his sentence was dis His father, now playing in Velden am Wörthersee, Austria, against the Soviet grandmaster Tigran Petrosian, has repeatedly allowed to join him, but the families of defectors are never

allowed to leave the country. If Igor Korchnoi had reported for call-up, his chances of leaving would have been even slimmer as recent conscripts are barred from emigrating on the ground that they possess mili-

tary secrets.

Sino-US plans to bolster Asia against Russians

Mr Cyrus Vance and other senior State Department offi-cials have begun talks with Mr Zhang Wenjin, the Deputy Foreign Minister of China, on ways of responding to the Soviet occupation of Afghani-

Well-informed officials described the 10-day visit by Mr Zhang, as a logical follow-up to the January talks in Peking between Mr Harold Brown, the Defence Secretary and Chinese leaders. Mr Zhang is the most senior official from Peking to visit the United States since Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Vice-Premier, came here just over a year ago.

The latest round of talks is expected to focus on parallel steps that Washington and Peking can take to strengthen Pakistan and counter Soviet expansionism in South-West Asia. The Soviet Union has reacted angrily to the visit by claiming, in a Radio Moscow broadcast, that the United States and China are doing all they can to hamper peace in Afghanistan Afghanistan.

As the Prime Minister pre-

pares formally to notify the British Olympic Committee of the Commons vote, by 315 to

Moscow Olympics, the govern-ment yesterday had to rectify

yet another ministerial blunder in the affair. Its effect was to

reverse an assertion that the

government could control pri-

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American manufacturers to sell various kinds of military sup-port equipment to China, including cargo aircraft, early warning radar systems, trucks and train

ing equipment.
The Administration's original agreement to sell Peking certain carefully selected items of support equipment also suitable for military use" was announced in January after Mr Brown's visit to Peking.

It was formally approved yesterday when the State Department began printing instructions to manufacturers outlining details of permissible sales. Any order totalling more than \$7m (about £3.2m) will have to be approved by the State Department and orders exceeding \$25m can be vetoed by Congress under certain conditions.

In a separate development, the 1,800 marines sent by the Pentagon to the Indian Ocean for patrol duty have now arrived in the Gulf region. The marines, who were dispatched from the Philippines area last month, are part of an amphibious task force of four ships equipped with heli-copters, tanks, assault vehicles and anti-tank wearons.

The arrival of the force As the talks opened in Washington, the State Department naval forces in the Gulf area to gave its final approval for 24,000 men.

Government admits money blunder

Governor's wife charmed Rhodesia's leaders and helped the chil From Nicholas Ashford Salisbury, March 18

The cheers that rang out in the House of Lords yesterday for Lord Soames, Governor of Southern Rhodesia, should also be directed at Lady Soames, who has stayed with her husband in Salisbury throughout his diffi-cult three-month interregnum.

She has been a remarkable success as the Governor's lady. She has humoured the overworked officials who struggled to keep the British Administration from floundering on the rocks of Rhodesian politics.

She has charmed Rhodesian leaders of all colours and differing political persuasions, not to mention the stream of observers and diplomats who attended the Rhodesian election. She has also provided good

food and good company to those members of the Commonwealth Monitoring Force and press corps who were fortunate enough to be invited to lunch or dinner at Government House. Above all, however, she has been a source of comfort and support to her husband as he performed the immensely difficult task of trying to run a country, an election and a cease-fire all at the same time.

Lady Soames admits she came official functions she had to attend with her husband. It has been a very varied three months.

Last week, for instance, she found herself having to address

out to knodesia with considerable trepidation. "I did not know what I, as the Governor's wife, could or should do", she said during an interview in her elegant but homely drawing room at Government House

" There was no real precedent for me to follow because my husband had come to Rhodesia in such extraordinary circumstances. I was also not sure how welcome I would be. I know that some Rhodesians held strong feelings about not want-ing us here."

However she was determined to make as much use of her time in Rhodesia as possible. "I did not just want to sit in an ivory tower", she said. So, following an interview in the local paper which helped to open a few doors to her, she went around meeting as many people as she could.

Since her arrival in Rhoshe followed a busy schedule of visits to schools, orphanages, refugee camps and training centres as well as official functions she had to



Lady Soames a source of comfort and support to her husband in his immensely difficult task

Lady Soames: Met as many people as she could.

900 Zipra guerrillas at assembly point "Mike" near Lupane, in western Rhodesia, where she had gone to inspect a German "General Dabengwa

Zipra commander) suddenly marched me into the middle of the parade ground and asked me to say a few words to his men. I felt very nervous, just Brook. But it seemed to go. down all right." She was very impressed with Zipra's drill, which is praise indeed coming from someone married to a former guards

This week Lady Soames is entertaining Mrs Sally Mugabe, wife of the Prime Minister designate, for tea at Government House. "I have not met her yet but I read an interview with her and she sounds so nice. It must have been terrible for her living all those years alone while her husband was

Probably the highlight of her stay has been her involvement with a fund for Rhodesian children which she launched a month ago. She was appalled the conditions she found in the orphanages and refugee camps she visited, but deeply impressed by the dedication of the people and organizations who were helping children

all of us who have been here during this period in whatever capacity could do something to help these children." elp these children." So she wrote to all member

like a jockey before Beecher's of the Commonwealth Monitoring Force, the Commonwealth Everyone seemed and British observers, the election supervisors, the British
police contingent and the press
corps asking for contributions
to her fund.

The response has been excel-lent. So far she has received about £5,000 in individual con-iributions including about £30 from a preelection party given by the press. In addition she has been given £1,000 by the Save the Children Fund whose director-general, Mr John Cumber, was also deputy Election:

A cheque for a further £10,000 was received last week from the United Kingdom branch of the International Year of the Child

She intends to announce to which charities the funds will be given shortly before she leaves Rhodesia at independence next mouth.

Despite the obvious preshe and Lord Sommes have had. to endure during the past three months, she would not have missed the experience for any-thing. She was delighted with the reception she received from Africans wherever she went. whom have been "I was never made to feel bury to stay with

obviously suffered result of the war.

She was surprise anti-white Senting come across duri but a vote for peac the status quo. It to be anti-white be had been kept out themselves for s time.

Perhaps her de Africans have to "To them it is session," she said. squatter camp v 2,000 children wer the open air. They equipment they by the exercise bool make them go ro concentration of Lady Soames v

was amazing " although heppy to with her five chi



Democrats and drums: Senator Edward Kennedy, his wife. Joan (centre), and a leading supporter, Mrs Jane Byrne, mayor of Chicago, watch the city's St Patrick's Day parade as Illinois holds its presidential primary poll.

Castro offer to receive embassy siege guerrillas

Bogotá, March 18.—President M-19 has demanded the Fidel Castro of Cuba has sug-release of 70 jailed comrades as gested that the guerrillas occu-pying the Dominican Republic Embassy in Bogotá be allowed to fly to Havana, along with their hostages and the 70 leftists who they want released from Colombian jails.

The Colombian Government last night published a message from Dr Castro to President Julio Turbay Ayala, offering a passage to Cuba as a possible solution to the embassy dead-

"If the Colombian Government thinks it would contribute to a solution of the complex situation concerning the Domi-nican Republic's embassy, the Government of Cuba is prepared to receive the guerrilla squad, the mostages and politi-cal prisoners via a direct flight, Bogotá to Havana," the note

charges d'affaires, and about 16 other people in the embassy faced their twentieth full day as captives of the M-19 radical guerrilla group today.

-Reuter and Agence France-Angry reaction to El Salvador

From Our Correspondent Hongkong, March 18 There has been angry anti-British reaction in Hongkong over the decision by the Civil Aviation Authority in London to grant only British Caledonian Airways a licence to operate a second air service between Hongkong and Loudon.

Mr Duncan Bluck, the chief executive of Cathay Pacific, which had expected to become the supplementary service to British Airways, said such a ruling was only possible because of "Hongkong's colonial status." be higher.

Students occupied the Unicarried on a sporadic gun battle surrounding the campus. Clashes were reported in a towns, but no casualty figures were available.

the battles:

Revolutionary bloc attacked an army unit at Hacienda Colina, and 20 people were

troops in Suchitoto, 23 miles north of the capital, and six Outside observers had no militants were killed trying to set up roadblocks on the outskirts of the capital. Six people were killed in

Protest grows in Iran after poll cheating claims Tehran, March 18.—The bro-ther of Ayatollah Khomeini has Mehdi Bazargan, the former

joined those claiming that there Prime Minister, as well as a was cheating in last Friday's number of IRP nominees and parliamentary election. In a telegram to President

Abolhassan Bami-Sadr, Ayatol-lah Morteza Passandideh said Islamic Republican Party representatives had cheated during elections in his hometown of Khomein, in central Iran. Ayatollah Passandideh acused the IRP of intimidation. He has supported President

Bani-Sadr, whose cancidates have been overshadowed in early returns by those of the IRP. Ayatollah Passandideh's claim was not taken necessarily to be a reflection of the views of Ayatollah Khomeini, who has so far made no public comment on the conduct of the election. President Bani-Sadr said the complaints would be discussed the ruling Revolutionary Council at its meeting tonight. The poll would be invalidated if serious cheating were proved. Vote counting was slow to-day, butday, but so far IRP candidates have a majority of seats decided in the first round. Seats not clearly won will be decided in a second round, in about three weeks'

results are known yet

Moslem Mujahedin organization.

It has been reported that the deputy head of the passport office at the Iranian Foreign Ministry was arrested yesterday on charges of "spying for the United States". Revolutinoary guards said Mrs Victoria Bassiri admitted that before the seizure of the embassy she had passed on information to the embassy press officer, Mr William Bell Diarty, one of the 50 American being held

hostage. The revolutionary guards claimed that Mr Diarry had confirmed Mrs Bassiri's state. ments.—Reuter, Agence France-

World Court hearing: The United States has accused Iran of striking "at the jugular" of world peace by condoning the imprisonment of the hostages. Iran did not attend the first public hearing of the hostage case before the International Court of Justice at The Hague, claiming in a letter that the issue was part of a problem that began with United States interference in Iranian affairs

Industrial unrest awai new administration

From Our Own Corre Salisbury, March 18 Zimbabwe's new governmentin-waiting has had its first taste of labour unrest with a spate of strikes involving around 4,000 workers in four factories Salisbury and two in

At one factory in Salisbury sign was placed on the perineter fence today calling for more pay and new overalls". At another factory a black worker said the stoppage had begun after a white foreman had spat at some black

Mr Kumbirai Kangai, the and Bulawayo Minister-designate for Labour funds would be n and Social Welfare, today the new governm

grievances. He said that wh

Drecipitate action would not only b also have a cripp industry. This, h have the effect i any improvement conditions of serv Mr Kangai around factories

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The agreement, which were cons

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commodity export

Mr Mugabe seeks nev trade links with EEC

From Our Own Correspondent over direct resp Salisbury, March 18

Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister-designate, has asked Britain to place an application with the EEC Commis sion for Zimbabwe to become a tion. The request is being conveyed by Lord Soames, Governor of Southern Rhodesia, who is on a brief visit to

If the application is approved, which seems likely, Zimbabwe will become the fifty ninth member of the trade and aid pact which links the EEC with developing nations in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific. Membership would give the new state access to the \$7,500m £3.400m) five-year agreement which was negotiated last

Shortly after Britain took cial and technical Guerrillas claim 2,200 Ethiopians killed in Ogaden

Nairobi, March 18 Fighting has broken out again in the Ogaden Desert between Ethiopian troops and pro-Somali guerrillas of the Western Somalia Liberation Front.

From Our Correspondent

The Front claims that its forces recently killed 2,200 Ethiopian soldiers in clashes at Babile and Jijiga, important Government centres in the Ogaden. In other encounters tanks, armoured cars, lorries and guns were captured by the guerrillas.

The guerrillas have given no

details of their own casualities, but say the damage they in-flicted was the heaviest for about a year.

Ethiopian aircraft bombed two areas in Somelia at the difficult political :

| Uganda si critics of Tanzanian

From Our Corresp January Nairobi, March 18

Mr Picho Owin dan Information lacted to silence g criticism of the troops who have Uganda since ousti Idi Amin last yea The minister to editors yesterday could not question of the Uganda Nat tion Front (UNI ment nor the pre: 20,000 Tanzanian He said the UNI mitted to press f his warning to edit to be either a reso

for Tehran, but early figures 25 years ago.—NUPI. weekend. 100,000 Jews to live on seized Jerusalem la

From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, March 18 The Likud Government's con-

troversial decision to defy world opinion and seize 1,000 acres of land to build a new £300m Jewish suburb in East Jerusalem is seen by some Israeli commentators as the final stage in a battle for the Holy City which began with the 1967 war.

Writing in the English language Jerusalem Past, Mr Abraham Rabinovich, an acknowledged expert on Jeru-salem's recent troubled history, said of Israel's building policy:
"At stake is the political character and physical shape of the city at the heart of the Middle East conflict".

It was on June 7, 1967 that Israeli troops captured the walled Old City of Jerusalem, which had been under Jordanian control for the previous 19 years. About three weeks later, the Knesset formally annexed Jordanian Jerusalem and a large rural area around it, the only territory to be annexed after

doubts that the annexation map was drawn along strictly strate-gic lines aimed at dominating the main approaches to the capital, while at the same time in-corporating as few Arabs as possible. To this end, a dozen

The annexation tripled the size of Israeli Jerusalem over-

night, but it was flatly rejected by the international com-munity and the Arab states. As a result, the Israelis realized that they would have to settle Jews there in large numbers in order to establish their claim, a move which could only be achieved by large-scale expro-priation, as little of the land was public and Arab owners would not sell voluntarily.

The success of the project in Israeli terms is demonstrated by the fact that about 60,000 Jews are now living across the green line" in East Jerusalem, more than half of the area's 100,000-strong Arab population. Demographic experts calculate that by the time the latest suburb is completed, the total number of Jews living in the former Arab sector will exceed

Istaeli seizure of land in Jerusalem began in January, 1968, and continued at a rapid pace for the next three years, by which time about 30 per cent of the annexed territory had been expropriated. Among those worst hit were the 5,500 Arabs living in the Jewish quarter of the Old City, the last of whom was finally forced to leave earlier this month.

different locations, most of them on the rocky outskirts of the city. The new neighbourhoods subsequently built in-cluded Gilo; an ugly and impos-ing cluster of concrete apartment buildings now standing on the outskirts of Bethlehem,

The expropriation was clearly strategic, not sentimental, Mr Rabinovich explained. It simed, in effect, at creating a new wall to defend the expanded city. This wall of housing could stake out the city's boundaries in stone, and—if the worst came to the worst—could even play a military role."

Late in 1970, the then Labour Government called a halt to land seizure in the annexed territory. The Jerusalem territory. The Jerusalem municipality subsequently declined to seize even the small plots of land needed to build mented bitterly: "I mented bitterly: "I mented bitterly: "I priation for public means, by Israeli driving away Arabs them with Jews. instead attempts were made to try to acquire the land by nego-

week's unexpected decision to seize more than suburbs are rep 1.000 acres was therefore the Western diplomats first significant land seizure in obstacles to any possion annexed territory for 10 years.

It followed the United National Security Council's unanimous recent speech Minimum and Ministry Security Council's unanimous recent speech Mr leading for the dismission calling for the dismission of all Jewish settled dismissed the idea of including the new being dismantled as

tiation.

Government's move preted as a deliber the United Nations. seen as a sign of It of urgency in attemp plete the ring of Jev before any possibi future shape of coming up for inegotiation. This practised Israeli settlement context Foreign Minister, a facts.

Although municit not choked Arab gri city, Arab residents trent. Last week Al Arabic-language new lished in East Jerus

Deliberately and ! constructed to mir possibility of Jerus being recivided, the I

partment, in this case the Ministry of Defence. However, The issue was money collected voluntarily by servicemen's organizations for the British Olympics Committee. There other ministers were worried at this turn of events, and Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence, was said to be had been some disarray at the end of Monday's Commons de-bate when Mr Michael Heselparty to vesterday's reversal tine, Secretary of State for the Environment, had pretended to release the funds to the EOA. The government's interference that such funds could be used In the fund raising came to light at the instigation of Mr by the BOA "but not as part of the cost of going to the Moscow light at the instigation of Mr Olympics." That statement was Denis Howell, the Labour

yesterday quietly pronounced "inoperative". Since the gov-ernment cannot, as was made spokesman on sport. It transpired that as a result of the Afghanistan invasion the Minisendlessly clear in the debate, try of Defence put out a tem-porary instruction that outstand-ing funds be withheld from the actually take action against in-dividual athletes in the matter. 147, calling for a boycott of the it can no more interfere and BOA. In the event fairly small prevent the use of private funds sums were involved; RAF and Navy servicemen had by then for the purpose for which they forwarded their collections; it were collected. In Mr Heseltine's defence was mostly collections from yesterday it was observed that Army servicemen that were withheld. They have now been killed. he had been speaking on the incorrect advice of another dereleased.

In government quarters yes terday it was accepted that the BOA were expressing determination to press ahead and accept the invitation to Moscow. But since Sir Denis Follows, chairman of the BOA, had seemed to call for a parliamentary expres-sion of opinion, he now had it, and it was up to his colleagues to take note at their meeting next Tuesday.

air licence award | clashes leave 53 people dead

one condition for freeing the

hostages. The Government has rejected the demand.

The Cuban offer was pre-sented to President Turbay on

Friday by Senor Fernando Ravelo, the Cuban Ambassador to Colombia. President Turbay

said he would bear the offer in

here who escaped from a second-floor window in the

seized embassy yesterday, was said to have been slightly

injured when he dropped to

moned urgently to the occupied mission when the increases thought that Senor Virgilio

Lovera the Venezuelan Ambas

But it was learnt that Señor

Lovera had only suffered a bout

of dizziness and was considered well enough to remain in the

was having a heart

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Señor Fernando Gomez Fyns,

Uruguayan ambassador

San Salvador, March 18 .-Left-wing militants turned yesterday's general strike into a bloody uprising against the El Salvador civilian-military junta, fighting security forces throughout the country.

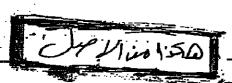
Officials said at least 53 people were killed in gunfights and bombings, but various reports said the death toll could

versity of San Salvador and with policemen and soldiers number of provincial cities and

Colonel Marco Aurelio Gon-rales, of the National Guard, gave this account of some of Militants of the Popular

30 miles north east of San Salvador, Twelve people were killed in battle between guerrillas and

gunfights in San Salvador and one suspect was killed and four of his companions were Arab villages subsequently The largest expropriation wounded when a bomb they found part of their territory order was signed in August, were placing exploded.—AP. inside the new Jerusalem bound- 1970, when more than 3,000 Leading article, page 15 were placing exploded.-AP.



Two Koreas ence of a minister lys clash over agree on **Panmunjom** npuchea's UN voice for talks

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er's visit to Peking

In his Korea. m the opening day ting the question of 's United Nations on was referred to anh Srithirath; the in delegate, told the

nat Laos hoped the

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om Penh. erence to events in bai Prime Minister, Guerrillas on Saturday.-Reuter.

arch 18 of government there was no change in Thailand's foreign

From Jacqueline Reditt

village of Panmunjom.

talks at government level between the two countries would be field at the border

Delegates from the two sides,

who met in Panmunjom for more than three hours at a fourth round of working takes,

agrede that the first of the pro-

posed inter-governmental meet-

ings would be held either at

Freedom House or at Pan-munkak, the South and North

Korean buildings that face one another across the border at Panmunjom, in the demili-tarized zone.

The venue for ensuing talks

would be decided upon by Mr Shin Hyon Hwack, the South

Korean Prime Minister, and his northern counterpart, Mr Li Jong Ok, when they met.

Mr Lee Dong Bok, the spokes-man for the South, Korean delegation, said delegates had

procedural points including the decision that both prime

ministers should exchange letters in advance, guaranteeing

the safety of those involved in

The North Koreans, who in

the last meeting, agreed "in principle" to the South's pro-

posal to draw up an agenda before the meeting between the

two prime ministers, said today the premiers should seek a peaceful unification of the fatherland. The South Korean

delegation said this was the long term aim of the talks but was not specific enough to con-

The South presented a three-

item draft agenda that gave

priority to establishing mutual trust and understanding be-tween the two Koreas and to

easing the suffering of families who have been separated for up to 30 years because of the divi-

Item number two was to establish peace in the Korean

peninsula and only after that did they suggest the prime ministers tackle the larger issue

Meanwhite, General Chung

Seung Hwa, the South Korean

former acmy chief of staff, who was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment last week, has had his sentence reduced to seven

Mr Choo Young Bok, the Defence Minister, today con-firmed the reduced sentence for

General-Chung, who still claims be is innocent. General Chung

General Chung is expected to

Tokyo, March 18.—King Carl Gustaf and Queen Silvia of Sweden will pay an official visit to Japan as state guests from April 13 to 19, it was aunounced in Tokyo.

appeal against the sentence.

Royal visit to Japan

the general, who

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sion of the country.

of unification.

the meetings.

Seoul, March 18

Describing Kampuchean refugees as " an enormous burden" for Thailand, General Prem said Thailand was grateful for international support and assistance

but further assistance was essential. He said a high level international conference was now essential to discuss relief for the Kampuchean people.
"Thailand looks forward to

the day when the Kampuchean people can return to their home-land and contribute to its reconstruction " economic General Prem said.

Meanwhile, their lives should not be put in jeopardy by the warring parties but placed in the care of international humanitaria: personne in a safe haven along the border, pending their return to their homes in Kampuchea." China walks -out : China and China walks -out: China and Democratic Kampuchea walked out of the meeting when the Laotian delegate took the floor. Mr Soubanh Srithiatath attacked what he called "Peking reactionary authorities" who, he said, posed a threat to Laotian sovereignty, independence

tian sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity.— Agence France-Presse. Aid-flow disrupted : The flow of international food aid to Kampu-chea has been disrupted by the collapse of two Phuom Penhh's three piers, Mr Michael Swan of Oxfam said in Singapore today. enuine revolutionary ed by the Soviet been able to safe. April 1978 revolutionary the Afghan people their own destiny Serei (Free Khmer

those that would not lessen the

territory or sovereignty of the

taining ties with the Muslim

Police in Iligan City are also investigating the possibility that Mr Saplad was involved

Marcos initiative to Muslim rebellion

farch 18 .- President where the Christians outvoted ay said his govern- the Muslims on the autonomy willing to negotiate issue. The MNLF boycotted the Philippines with elections, claiming that Presi-rebels in a renewed dent Marcos's proposal was not real autonomy. nd the war in the The president said today he would only negotiate within on for seven and a

the framework set up by the Islamic Conference last year which would limit solutions to that talks be held In a speech today e third amiversary autonomy in the Philippines.
ulippines, the presi- A leadi oresi A leading Muslim rebel was leader was shot dead in Higan another try was o meet with as commanders as

City, in the southern Philip-pines, on Monday when unidentified gummen opened fire on him near a busy bazaar.

Marcos did not y country as the among the top 90 Muslim completely trusted him since he is innocent. General Chung was found guilty of helping Kim Jae Kyu, the former director among the top 90 Muslim completely trusted him since he is innocent. General Chung was found guilty of helping Kim Jae Kyu, the former director of the Korean Central Intelligence Agency who admitted assassinating President Park Chung Hee, in an attempt to overthrow the government.

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F and sponsored sociations, that the Government was alk with the rebels on March 9 which killed mous regions in the a plebiscite in 13 plebiscite Philippine provinces fear that he would three years ago Agnce France-Presse.

arty rule

iarch 18.—A political publisher today told tribunal trying him 1 that Taiwan needed opposition party to s democratic process. ng Hsin-chieh, pub-the now-banned Forzine, is on trial here thers, including two larged with attempt-enthrow the Governigh illegal means. re arrested after an nment riot at Kaohsi-December in which said 183 security injured.

ter the trial opened Huang denied that ine aimed to incite is to overthrow the

n publisher Gandhi party accused of creating law problems

gal, in separate moves today, both accused Mrs Gandhi's Congress Party of seeking to engineer law and order problems in their seattle. lems in their states to provide the Prime Minister with the pretext for fresh state elections there.

there.

Mrs Gandhi has already ordered assembly elections in nine important states in what is seen as an obvious attempt to extend her power by installing Congress administrations. Rashmir is ruled by a predominantly Muslim regionalist party led by Shaikh Abdullah, and Marxist communists are in nower in West Bengal.

From Richard Wigg

Delhi, March 18
The chief ministers of two
of India's sensitively situated states, Kashmir and West Bencutta that local Congress Party states, Kashmir and West Bencutta that local Congress Party states, Kashmir and West Bencutta that local Congress Party states, Kashmir and West Bencutta that local Congress Party states. with her. Today's remarks sig-nal he has given up that course. men were behind recent "desperate attempts" to create law and problems so as to embartass his government.

Mr Ghani Khan Chaudhary, the Indian Energy Minister, who is a Bengal Congress leader, said a few weeks ago that the Marxists "must be rhrown into the Bay of Bengal"

Charge dismissed: A district judge has dismissed a criminal conspiracy charge against Mr Sanjay Gandhi, son of the Prime Minister, for influencing the Delhi Municipal Corporation to buy a chemical for treatment of water.

power in West Bengal.

Shaikh Abdullah told the birth one-party rule wife for Taiwan now, at sponsored rally at on December 10 to World Human Rights writed into a riot.—

power in West Bengal.

Shaikh Abdullah told the However, Mr Gandhi, now a Member of Parliament, faces Member of

Murdoch in £200m air deal

glas Aiton , March 18 established himself as l international pub-ticularly in the United lear that Mr Rupert ralian aviation history.
Aware of the drama event, he turned the

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he state capital cities Paputa, New Grinea.
officially in competieach other, he comave always shown a

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roup, Mr Murdoch sign.

ralian aviation history.

Aware of the drama of the event, he turned the signing into quite a performance, with into quite a performance, with a jazz band playing "These new planes when in their Flying Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines."

The deal involves 21 aircraft The deal

Ansett will buy five 767 jets, 12 100-seat 737-200 series twen jets, with options on a further four, and four long-range ?27-200 tri-jets. At about the same time that these aircraft start ee of cooperation, operating for Ansett, probably change all that. In later this year, Trans-Australian a this week, along Airlines will begin using their

with Sir Peter Abeles, his joint chief executive, and Mr Tex Boullionn, president of the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, Mr Murdoch signed the biggest aircraft deal in Australian aviation history.

Avorce of the drama of the prove the most suitable to service the most suitable to service and which aircraft will prove the most suitable to service the most suitable to service and which aircraft will prove the most suitable to service the most suitable to service and Mr Tex and the signing Mr Murdoch as and the significant as and the signifi

Mr. Murdoch has not yet made clear his plans for flying be-yond Australia except for vague mentions of Singapore and New Zealand Within Australia he plans to compete more vigorously with TAA on the inter-city routes, and also to open up some new routes.

Law Report March 18 1980

Council right to find family intentionally homeless

South and North Korea agreed today that the first

Miller and Another v Wandsworth London Borough Council Before Mr Justice Walton
[Judgment delivered March 17]
His Lordship refused a mandatory injunction ordering the local authority to provide accommodation under the Housing (Homeless Persons) Act, 1977, for a family who, after a fire had damaged the kitchen of their flat, had voluntarily terminated their tensacy or their licence to occupy it. The applicants, Mr Grame Witham Miller, and his wife, Mrs

expecting a baby.

on August 4, during the night, there was an explosion in the kitchen due to an electrical fault in the water beater. The damage caused was comparatively minor, being limited to internal decorations and the heater, which was completely burnt out. They spent

Court of Appeal

Wife's £39,000 for life story taxable

of Taxes)
Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Waller and Lord Justice Dunn.

March 171

[Judgments delivered March 17] Payment of £39,000 by the News of the World under a contract made in London to the wife of one of the Great Train robbers, who was at the time living in Canada, for providing her "
story" for publication, is for publication, is a profit accruing from property situated in the United Kingdom and chargeable to income tax under the provisions of section 108 of the Income and Corporation Taxes

Act, 1970. The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing an appeal by the tax-paver, wife of Charles Wilson and

dismissing an appeal by the taxpayer, wife of Charles Wilson and
known as Mrs Patricia Alloway,
from a decision of Mr Justice
Brightman ([1979] 1 WLR 564)
upholding an assessment made on
her under Case VI of Schedule D
of £39,000 for 1967-58.
Section 108 provides for
Schedule D tax to be charged
on "annual profits or gains
arising or accruing— . . . (iii)
to any person, whether a British
subject or not, although not resident in the Umited Kingdom from
any property whatever in the
United Kingdom".

Mr Marcus Jones for the taxpayer; Mr Brian Davenport for
the Crown.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS
said that Charles Wilson was convicted for his part in the robbery
and sentenced to 30 years bitt
escaped from prison and went to
hive in Canada with his wife. In
1968 police discovered them, and
he was returned to prison in England. His wife remained in Canada,
and it was there that she provided
the well-paid information to the
News of the World. The money

Alloway v Phillips (Inspector of Taxes)
Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Waller and Lord Justice Dunn.

was paid by the paper to the tax-payer's solicitors in London in 1968. Later that year she returned to live in England, but it was not until 1973 that she received the In 1974 she was assessed to tax

on the payment and there then came to light a written agreement dated February, 1968, purported to have been made between the newspaper, the taxpayer "acting through her agent", and Charles Wilson. It provided for her to make available in Canada information about her life experiences to a News of the World journalist. News of the World journalist.

Was the agreement bioding? The special commissioners found that she had not expressly authorized it but had ratified it by all that she had done in implementing its terms. The circumstances were such as to warrant the clear inference that she was adopting the agent's acts whatever they were. Thus the agreement became as binding on the parties as it would have been had she previously authorized it.

The next question was whether

authorized it.

The next question was whether the taxpayer was hable to pay tax on the £39,000 in 1967-68. Doubtless if she was liable at all it was for that year because the "profit" must be taken as "accruing" in the period in which it was earned even though it was not received until a later period. But at that time the taxpayer resided in Canada and provided the information there. Thus the crucial point was whether the payment was a "profit accruing from property in the United Kingdom". The taxpayer dended having any property in the United Kingdom, and said that she derived her profit from the services she performed in Canada. The contract, it was submitted, was no more than machinery for collecting her reward for those services, having The next question was whether

as such had no interpentation vitality. Support for those propositions, it was said, was to be found in Stainer's Executors v Purchase (1952] AC 280) Carson v Cheyney's Executor (1959) AC 412) and Hume v Asquith (1969) 2 Ch 58). But those cases had no application to the present where the taxpayer was resident in Canada and rendered her services there.

The taxpayer did have property

rendered her services there.

The taxpayer did have property in the United Kingdom: tamely choses in action—the right to receive 39,000 from the News of the World. She had no property in Canada—no copyright there. She only had the information in her head that she gave to the reporter. That was not a species of property known to English law. Moreover if the revenue law of Canada was the same as that of England, she would not have been liable to tax there as she was not carrying on a trade there.

Many people regretted the practice of some newspapers of paying money to criminals or their wives for sensational stories. But there appeared to be nothing illegal in it. If, however, they did receive such sums they ought to pay tax on their profit. The appeal should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE WALLER, con-

LORD JUSTICE WALLER, con-curring, said that the commis-sioners had found the sum to be income and not capital. The tax-payer's alternative argument to to contrary on that point, namely that once the sum was paid by the newspaper the taxpayer's rights under the contract ceased to exist, could not be upheld. That it was income was a finding of fact and there was ample evidence on which the commissioners could so find. dismissed.
LORD JUSTICE WALLER, con-

find.

Lord Justice Dunn delivered a concurring judgment.

The appeal was dismissed with costs.
Solicitors: David Lewis & Co.

provided that a person who had a licence to occupy property was not "homeless", and in any event the landlady was not wishing to evict them at the earliest possible moment. Mrs Miller was expecting a baby. worth.

Mr Miller, who earned £75 a week, stated that the landlady had asked them to stay elsewhere while the flat was being repaired, but was unable to say when the repairs would be done. They were unhappy about returning to the flat, and on August 5 he told the landlady that they did not intend to return. Shortly after he instructed solicitors to try to recover a month's rent of £130 paid as a deposit.

That explained why, when on August 9 the Millers had an interview with the homeless persons unit in Wandsworth, Mrs Blyth, the local government officer concerned, formed the impression that they had no intention of returning to the flat. She had advised them to retain the tenancy until it was known what was the extent of the damage and whether it could be repaired for them to move back in. The information conveyed by the Millers was that there was no reason why they move back in. The information conveyed by the Millers was that there was no reason why they could not remain in the flat once the repairs were done and provided they paid the rent, and that pending such repairs, if the work took place within a short time, they had accommodation with Mrs Miller's mother.

Miller's mother.

On the basis of that information the council wrote on August 10 advising them to maintain payments of rent and warning them that failure to safeguard the temancy would mean that if at a later date they presented themselves as homeless, the council would be unable to assist since they could be considered "Intentionally homeless". Implicit in the advice was that it was reasonable to go on paying the rent for a short period while repairs were carried out. The work was in fact done in September.

On December 20 the Millers rem for a short pairs were carried out. The work was in fact done in September.

On December 20 the Millers again presented themselves as homeless indicating that Mrs Miller's mother could not house them after Christmas. After further inquiries the council wrote on January 25, stating that the council had decided that the Millers were "in priority need and homeless "but that they were intentionally 50" as they had failed to retain their tenancy of the flat, and that in those circumstances the council took no responsibility for permanent rehousing and could only offer bed and and could only offer bed and arthority to secure that accommodation for the local authority to secure that accommodation was made available to them until the hearing of the action.

Mrs Miller's baby was born shortly after the fire, and they shortly after the fire, and they accommodation. The council had

made the appropriate inquiries and were satisfied that they had become homeless intentionally. The Act placed the responsibility for making the relevant findings as to homelessuess, priority need and intentional homelessness on the council as the housing authority, and it was well settled that the court was in no sense a court of appeal from their decisions unless it appeared that decision was one appear from their decisions unless it appeared that decision was one which no reasonable authority, having made the proper in-quiries, could have made.

Chancery Division

The decision in the present case was that the Millers either deliberately gave notice to quit or to terminate their licence, or deliberately neglected to pay the rent of premises which were available for their continued occupadone for their continues occupa-tion and which it was reasonable for them to continue to occupy. Was that conclusion unreason-able? His Lordship thought not. Mr Blake had criticized the

Mr Blake had criticized the council for not having made more inquiries before the letter of August 10, but such criticism could not be justified. The council had obtained from the Millers themselves all the necessary information—that they were not homeless. To obtain further information would have been wholly nunecessary, and his formation would have been wholly unnecessary, and his Lordship was the last person to seek to impose a duty to obtain unnecessary information upon an already hard pressed local authority. In the matter of housing Wandeworth une indeed exing Wandsworth was indeed ex-tremely hard pressed.

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Donbtless immediately after the fire the premises were in a poor state and would have required cleaning. The absence of hot water was temporary and something which a reasonable man or woman had to put up with from time to time. Information from Ealing London Borough Council was that the electrical wiring was satisfactory. At the end of the day it was quite impossible to criticize Wandsworth council's decisions.

De Falco w Creaning Borough

De Falco v Cravley Borough Council (The Times, December 13) showed that the code of guidance, which had been relied on by Mr. Blake, was something which the council must have regard to, but it did not have statutory effect. On the question whether an injunction should be granted merely on the balance of convenience, the De Falco case recognized that the De Falco case recognized that the De Falco case recognized that the property of the Part o venience, the De Falco case recog-mized that, in spite of American Cyanimid, in the present type of case the former rule had to be followed and the court had to assess, as best it could, the strength of the rival cases. The motion must therefore be dis-missed.



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Liverpool's strength is reflected in two England parties

Liverpool's simost embarrassing making a courageous attempt to domination of English club foot score. Keegan will appreciate his ball was reflected in the two support in attack as he will the servellent service of McDermott.

inferiority complex.

There are also two former Liverpool players in the senior party—
Keegan and Hughes, who ied another team to a Weathley victory
on Saturday when Wolverhampton
Wanderers won the Lezgue Cup.
Although Hughes is unlikely to
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Although Hughes is unlikely to play in Barcelona his character will be vital to a tenin experiencing an early taste of what Spain have cooking for the rest of the world in 1982 when they stage the World Cup.
Players from Real Madrid, like Del Bosque, Angel and Juanito have ball skills that would make some players feel like taking up tiddlywinks. Cunningham, our man in Madrid, is chosen and will, I hope, this time exude the sort of contidence and verve he showed so menacingly against Celtic in the European Cup tie a fortught ago. He has the pace and finish to destroy any defence in the world if only he can believe this. Greater confidence in his own ability is a quality sometimes lacking in Coppell's wing play, too, these days, but Mr Greenwood again puts his faith in the little man who has, nevertheless, served England well.
Mr Greenwood has rightly given Johnson another chance. The Liverpool centre forward was injured against the Republic of

dismiss

their manager

York City, seventh from bottom of the Fourth Division yesterday dismissed their manager, Charlie

description of their manager, Charine wright. The dismissal was autounced in an official statement from the board of directors.

Mr Wright joined York from Bolton, where he was chief coach, in November. 1977, and led York away from the re-election zone to tend in the tabe last season. A

Scot, he playde in goal for Mor-ton. Rangers, Workington Town,

Griensby Town, Charlton Arbletic

and finally Bolton before a back

ham Forest player, and youth coach with York since last June, will take over a scaretaker man-ager for the rest of the season.

London's Battersea Park on Mon-day, May 19. The Wimbledon

Attractive pairing

support in attack as he will the excellent service of McDermott,

ball was reflected in the two national parties announced yesterday by Ron Greenwood, England's manager, for matches against spain a week today. There are six members of the Liverpool team in a sendor group as familiar in appearance as the league champions themselves.

With the minor surprise of Alan Kennedy's name among the Bearty it means that Liverpool are likely to have 10 of their 11 first team regulars on international daty next week; Dalglish, Souness, and Hansen are bound to be in the Scotland party for the match with Portugal at Hampden Park. It is enough to give Jimmy Case an inferiority complex.

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Support in attack as he will the excellent service of McDermott's contributions were recognized by his fellow professionals at the weekend when the senior group after his stumming performance for them against likely to have 10 of their 11 first team regulars on international daty next week; Dalglish, Souness, and Hansen are bound to be in the Scotland party for the match with Barcelona seemed to be an ideal place to blood the young Moddle place of the Market of the Barcelona seemed to be an ideal place of blood the young Moddle place of the Market of the Barcelona seemed to be an ideal place of the Market of the Barcelona seemed to be an ideal place of the Market of the Barcelona seemed to be an ideal place of the Market of the Barcelona seemed to be an ideal place of the Market of the Scotland of the Market of the Marke

his own.

As way videly forecast, Alan Devonshire receives recognition for his consistently outstanding displays: for West Ham United. Devonshire, a slippery customer on the field, is one of those rare creatures who popped through the professional net as a youngster. Bought at the age of 19 from Southall, the Isthmian League club, just four years ago for a snip—£5.000—he made the first team within a month when his potential was already obvious. He was selected for the B match with New Zealand this season but withdrew because of injury.

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Alan Kennedy, at 25, may be making his first appearance at this level, although he has six under-23 caps. In contrast to Devonshire Liverpool paid Newcastle United £300,000 in 1978 for this full back who has retried after a shake who has settled after a shaky start.
More interessing choices for the match at Sunderland are, if you will excuse the repetition, Sunder-

and, Arsenal's eager stricker, Birtles. Nothingham Forest's goal-hungry forward mainly because he has nor scored any lately, Mariner, among the goals again for Ipswich Town, and Ward, Brighton and Hove Albion's twinkling star.



McDermott: his contributions were recognized

The selection for England of Shaun Elliott might surprise a few as well, not least because of his name. He halls from Haydon Bridge, which is apparently in Northumberland, and he is the local selection from the Roker Park club.

SENIOR PARTY: R. Clemenco (Liverpool). P. Stillion (Notlingham Forest, P. Neal (Liverpool). T. Cherry (Leets United): P. Thompson (Liverpool). D. Watson (Southampton). E. Hughos (Wolverhampton Wanderers). M. Millis (Ipewich Town). R. Sansom (Crystal Palace). R. Whitins (Marchester United). T. McDermott (Liverpool). R.

ing from an ankle injury and Tom McAdam has a slight groin injury, but the manager, Billy McNell, hopes that both will be fit on the afternoon of the match.

Real also have injury problems. Their veteran captain, Francisco Pitri, is still suffering from a thigh injury and star striker, Carlos Santillana—a striker, has a back injury but both are expected to be fit.

About 2,000 Scottish supporters

About 3,000 Scottish supporters have been swarming through the streets of Madrid these past two days draped in the green and white colours of Celtic and giving imprompts bagpipe contests and concerts to assouished passers-by. They too will make their presence felt in the stands. And perhaps on this note it was curious that Real Madrid yesterday paid for a nine-fisch advertise-

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ment in all the national papers warning spectators about excesses on the stands.

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CELTIC probable! P. Latchiurd, A. Snaddon, T. McAdam, R. Macdonald, D. McGram (capital): D. Proven, R. Viten, M. Macleod, J. Dovie, G. McLuskey, R. Lennox.—Renior,

Rugby League

Call to break

off relations

with France

By Keith Macklin.

The England Rugby League international committee will debate next Wednesday a proposition that international games with France should be abandoned at all levels because of violence on and off the field. However, more restrained counsels should prevail at the meeting, and such a wide ranging and unequivocal ban is unlikely to be recommended.

The call comes from Bill Oxley.

The call comes from Bill Oxley, chairman of the England selectors, who flew back with the team from Narbonne scething with anger at the behaviour of the French team.

Narbonne scetting with anger at the behaviour of the French team, spectators and officials at Sunday's European championship decider.

England won 4—2 to retain the title but an English forward, Kevin Rayne, of Wakefield Trinity, was kicked in the face and taken to hospital unconscious. When the English referee Billy Thompson, disallowed a law French try for a glaring and obvious forward pass, he was surrounded and josted by the French team, left the field to a storm of booing and beer cans, and bad to be escorted from his dressing room by the gendarmerie. The day before, at Oldham, the Great Britzin Colts team had been subjected to punches, kicks and late tackles in a match against France, controlled, to use the term His namesake. David Oxley, secretary general of the Rugby League, said yesterday that he respected the sincere feelings of the chairman of the selectors, but would counsel a more restrained and diplomatic approach to try to solve what was an undoubted problem of great seriousness. "England did not campaign to pioneer the game in France in the 1930s to abandon it now," said Mr Oxley.

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Struggling York | Cauldron of noise will give Celtic the real test that the lush green turf was to their liking. Celtic have two prob-lems. George McCluskey is suffer-From a Special Correspondent

Madrid, March. 18 Cetic step out tomorrow afternoon to defend their two-goal lead
in the quarter-final round of the
European Cup in an atmosphere
of a Wembley cup final. The
towering Bernabea stadium will
be packed to the flagposts with
100,000 official spectators crammed
into their places and another
5,000 unofficial ones crowding the
aisles. aisleş. It will be this ceiling caldron

of noise as much as Real Madrid who will provide the real test for a young Celtic team. The internationals among them may be used to the Hampdon roar but the Bernabeu equivalent, with trumpet and drum accompaniment, is quite different. Some say that on a clear day it can be heard on Clydeside. day it can be heard on Clydeside. Rarely in the long illustrious history of Real Madrid has a game attracted so much excitement and interest. There have been vast queues for tickets for the past two days and today's black market price for a stand seat was £150. The total takings will be nearly £500,000, a club and a European record. Two of professional tennis's most celebrated couples are poised to meet each other in a special "love doubles" contest at London's Battersendary, May 19. The Wimbledon champion, Bjorn Borg and his Romanian fiancee, Mariana Simionescu face Britain's John Lloyd and his American wife, The Celtic team had a one hour practice in the stadium yesterday afternoon and all the players said

Fixture backlog threatens West Ham hopes

Fixture congestion could seriof West Ham United, whose game at Oldham Athletic last night was postponed because of snow. West Ham have played 30 games—fewer than any other dub in the Second Division-and must try to squeeze their remaining 12 games into the last eight weeks of the season. They will almost certainly have to play after the FA Cup final on May 10.

Cup matches have been largely responsible for the backlog and a draw in the semi-final against Everton at Villa Park on April 12 would add a replay to the crowded fixture list. The Oldham match will now be played on Tuesday. April 29. The club's other outstanding match, away to Chariton Athletic will probably be on Bank Holiday Monday, May 5.

Eddie Chapman, the West Ham secretary, said: "It is a night-mare. We will have to play two matches a week to the end of the season. If we have further post-pouements or a replay, I don't know what we will do. Fixture congestion cost us promotion last season and we face an uphill battle now."

Arsenal's most frightening moment

From Stuart Jones Goteborg, March 18
A tragic headline, reminiscent
of Munich in 1958, was in the of Munich in 1958, was in the making as the Arsenal team prepared to land here for their European Cap Winners' Cup tie tomorrow night. A green eight, signifying that the nose wheel was down, remained off, as did a secondary light, and the captain was forced to fly low past the control tower for a visual check to be made.

Atthough it was confirmed that Although it was confirmed that wheel was locked properly in

the wheel was locked property in position, passengers were asked to remove spectacles and other sharp objects as emergency procedures were carried out below. After circling for 10 anxious minutes over the bleak, wooded landscape, the aeroplane finally touched down safely on Swedish soil. Arsenal's most frightening moment of the journey was over. Wrapped in a comforting 5—1 lead from the first leg, even the temperature (—2°C) is unlikely to hinder their progress to the semi-final round. A soft, Irish voice put it succinctly: "If we don't go through, we should be shot". It was Brady speaking and he is sure to have much more to say during the contest itself.

He stands in Europe's shop window and is unlikely to have another chance to show his waves so freely. A fortnight ago, Göteborg were in awe of him and with his left foot he opeued up their defence. Sunderland, twice, Price and Young took advantage and Brady capped it all by scoring the goal of the rain-swept night. Sunderland will not be there tomorrow and there is still a doubt about Stapleton. Vaessen comes in for his usual European appearance—he has more experience there than in the First Division—end Rice is fit to return to the team that brushed Manchester City aside last Samrday. Göteborg, known as The Angels, will need all the help from the blue heavens above their fair Garden City. Their hopes, however faint, rest on the broad shoulders of Nilson, one of four internationals, who scored the opening goal in the first leg. He has enough spring in his legs to exploit any gaps that Arsenal may be careless enough to leave.

Northin leads the side from mid-field and like Nilson, performed

gaps that Arsenal may be careless enough to leave.

Nordin leads the side from midfield and like Nilson, performed
to Argentina during the World
Cup. He will share the task of
trying to quieten Brady with
Hotsagren, another international
Hotsagren has an unusual distinction. His career started with
Gallivare, a club whose pitch lies
north of the Arctic Cartle.

Gallivare, a club whose pitch lies north of the Arctic Circle.

Busiest of the Göteborg side is again likely to be Olaffson, a goal-keeper with 13 Icelandic caps to his name. He relishes nothing in the air, as Arsenai soon discovered, but was to blame for none of the five he has already conceded. Indeed, his flying leap near the end at Highbury prevented it from being six.

The magnificent Ullevi Stadium is surrounded by a thin lace cov-

The magnificent Uller's Stadium is surrounded by a thin lace covering of snow but a plastic sheet above and hearing underneath will ensure that the surface is perfect. That will suit Arsenal. If events go as expected, both here and in East Garmany, Arsenal will return on Thursday as England's sole remaining ambassadors in Europe.

Welsh Cup date Swansea meet Shrewsbury in the semi-final of the Welsh Cup while in the other semi-final Newport enterpain non-league Merthyr. Both ties are to be played on March 25. as a reward for his eight years' service to the club. Oldbam Athletic were prepared to pay 570,000 for Houston earlier this season, but he turned down the

Forest can placate themselves in the event of elimination

From Norman Fox Football Correspondent East Berlin, March 18

Having lost their unbeaten record in the European Cup a formight ago at their own ground, Nottingham Forest start their quarter-final round second leg tie here tomorrow (6 o'clock) a goal down to Dynamo Berlin and in serious danger of climination. age to bytamo bernin and in day, serious danger of elimination. It would be better for Forest. A recovery is still possible but to forget Saturday when Needham in the event of failure Forest can and Shilton caused the confusion be piacated with the knowledge that they have come a long way in a short time. To have won the trophy last year and still be among the leading eight teams in Europe is no trivial achievement for a club only three seasons out of the

econd division. The situation facing them here is similar to last season's semitical round when they were held to a 3—3 draw at home by Cologne yet won 1—0 in Germany to reach the final in which they beat Malmö. The scorer of the decisive goal in Cologne was Bowyer who will play tomorrow in preference to Bowles and has achieved the significant record of four goals in his last six European appearances, including two in three games this season.

As Brian Clough, the manager said. Forest "desperately need a goal" and Bowyer has the physical strength to answer the demand at a time when Birtles is suffering from a personal famine of goals and Francis is stilk causing Mr Clough considerable missivings.

Mr Clough said: "Francis is not exactly on trial but he is under a lot of pressure as a striker. We look to the front players to score goals. He must be aware of the criticism. This is an ideal opportunity for him to put himself right—but that applies to everybody."

Forest's defence wall show three The situation facing them her

changes from the first leg. Anderson, who was suspended, now returns to give more speed and aggression on the right side. This leg, win had overotime it is Burns who is suspended leg, win had overotime it is Burns who is suspended leg, win had overotime it is Burns who is suspended leg, win had overotime it is Burns who is no first leg, so Needham retains a place of the suspension in the League Cop final defeat by Wolverhampton was placed in the league Cop final defeat by Wolverhampton blay very well the loss how us how a low a could be if they

and Sinton views their goal, and also that Needham and Lloyd formed the central defensive partnership that permitted Cologue to score three goals list season. The third change is that of Rowyer for Bowles, who made little pro-gress in the first leg and would probably not relish what is likely to be a tight, fierce comest, to be a tight, serce comest,

Forest's need for a goal, preferably early, may be assisted if
Dynamo decide that their slender
advantage is not a sufficient
guarantee against defeat. Should
the Germans, attempt to throw
everything into the attack their
defence may open the way for
Forest's counter attacks. One
senses that this is unlikely to be
the case and that Dynamo will
not take undue risks. They again
pin their faith in the only outstanding forward in their side,
Riediger, an East German international who scored the only goal
in Nottingiam and came close
to adding another near the end.

Although not overflowing with Although not overflowing with individual talent. Dynamo command a high professional standard of collective proficiency, which is what is expected of East German teams these days. They hope to field the team, who played in the first leg, with the possible exception of Lauck, a midfield player who has a knee

Mr Clough's ath Forest can score game they have the another but he say has a "thin drid added: "I don't will come at us it my to put the game He was not per cerned that Dynam goals in an East." bley out of the Clough salet: "I see the Nottinghau versed: to see if if we scored " There chance that Fores a goal but a 1—0 good to them."

England scotches American career to manage Wales home internationals in May, he intends to go straight to his pre-decessor, now manager at Hull.

his back on a small fortune in the United States to manage Wales. Mr England, who is 38 and a former Blackburn Rovers; Tottenham Hotspur and Cardiff City centre-half, accepted a three-year contract as successor to Mike Smith. But it will mean a drastic cut to his salary of last year, when he earned 70,000 dollars while combining a football career with Seattle Sounders and a real estate business.

Today he gained preference over Jimmy Armfield, Terry Casey and Danny Bergera for the Welsh job, which offers little more than £15,000 a year, plus a car. But Mr England said: "Money has never been an important thing in my life. Other things are far more important. It is not every day that you are asked to manage your country, and it is that opportunity which motivates me more than anything morevates me more than anything else ".

Mr England earned 44 caps for Wales. He joined Seattle in 1976 and plans to return there later this week to clear up his affairs.

Houston's reward

Passes for five Manchester United are to give their Scottish international defen-der, Stewart Houston, a free transfer at the end of this season Only five clubs from the

Northern Premier and Southern Leagues have received the neces-sary gradings to qualify them for possible promotion to the Alliance Premier League next season. They are Frickley Athletic, Runcorn, Workington, Dartford and Kidderminster Harriers

decessor, now manager at Hull, for advice.

"I have every respect for Mike", Mr England said, "and will be bending his ear between now and the home internationals. I shall also ring Weish captain Terry Yorath, "I have no plans to find a new captain. I played under Terry and he has the sort of attitude and dedication that I want from the whole Weish team."

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Mr England has set his sights on Weles participating in the 1982 World Cup Ruels in Spain. First, however, they must qualify from A group that includes Russia. Czechoslovakia, Iceland and Turkey. Mr England said: "I know Wales has not qualified since 1958, but I've always thought positively and with two teams going forward from the group. I think it is a goal that is obtainable."

Terry Casey was appointed the Terry Casey was appointed the Welsh Director of Coaching and Development. Aged 42, and ten times an amateur international with Wales, he is currently the Decing v. Vening.

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Badminton

Indonesia hope to make a unique clean sweep

By Richard Streeton Indonesian players are hoping to make badminton history by winning all five titles when the fiveday All-England championships, aponsored by John Player, start at Wembley today. No country has avery completed a clean sweep at at Wembley today. No country has ever completed a clean sweep at the event, although Indonesia came close last year when only the women's singles eluded them. Despite the arrival of official world championships on the calendar, the All-England has retained an importance and tradition in the game second to none.

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A changed format this year brings the last eight in singles into opposition on Friday, with the semi-final rounds on Saturday and all five finals on Sunday afternoon for the first time. A total of £10,500 prize money is at stake with the men's singles winner receiving £1,000, a tenfold increase on last year's £100 first prize. The women's champion receives £750. During the tournament there will be some intense lobbying of International Badminton Federation delegates by England, Denmark and India who are all seeking to host the 1983 World Championships.

Liem Swie King of Indusesia

Liem Swie King, of Indonesia, the men's winner for the past two rears, is seeded to play Morten Frost Hansen, of Denmark, in the Frost Hansen, of Denmark, in the final. If all-round power and skill are taken for granted, it is a match that could be billed as speed versus subfleily. There is no reason to doubt that Swie King will be in peak form, although, in the Indonesian habit, he has not been seen at many tournaments since last winning at Wembley. The gruelling preparation over several months in those special private training camps near lakarta, howtraining camps near Jakarta, how-ever, has always proved sufficient in the past.

Denmark's reigning world champion, Flemming Delfs, is in the same half of the draw, but has lacked consistency lately and has a poor record against Indonesians. Swie King's hardest march might come in the fourth round against Thomas Khilstrün, of Sweden, who enjoys the same rapid hard-hitting style as the

Frost Hansen, who at 22 is less experienced than most of his main rivals, has the dangerous Prakash Padukone of India to get past in the semi-final stage. Padukone in the past formight has won

both the Danish and Swedish championships and might have been second seeded if the draw had been made later than it was. Padukone, a delicate touch player, has been sharpening his years with require more the against player, has been sharpening his game with regular practice against the Indonesians and is the man in form. The Indian's early path has been smoothed by the late withdrawal of the seeded Indonesian, llie Sumirat, who was injured recently in a match when Indian beet Indonesia. injured recently in a match when China beat Indonesia 5—4. That scoreline alone makes the enthusiast hope that badminton politics will have been mended enough by next year to permit the Chinese to enter at Wemblet.

Lene Koppen. Denmark's defending champion, will start fovourite to win the women's singles again though it will be far from easy for her. In the final she is expected to meet the tall, nowerful Wiharjo Verawaty, of Indonesia, who has recently been below her best. Miss Köppen's main problems could come earlier against another Indonesia, Lie-Ing Hoa Ivana, who beat her in the Danish championships. Hoa Ivana, who beat her in the Danish championships.
Gillian Gilks, England's only realistic hope of a singles title winner, is in the same half of the draw as Saori Kondo, of Japan, and Miss Köppen and both these opponents have proved trolbesome to Mrs Gilks in the past. Karen Bridge, the second English girl seeded, should reach the last eight and justify her recognition.

Helen Troke, a 15-year-old and justify her recognition.

Helen Troke, a 15-year-old

Hampshire schoolgirl, who gained
one of the qualifiers' places last one of the qualifiers' places last weekend in the women's singles, has already carred a niche for herself as the youngest player to compete in the all-England championships since they started in the 1890s. Miss Troke is a few months younger than Mrs Gliks was when she first played in the tournament at 15 as Glilan Perrin. Miss Troke starts azainst another qualifier. starts against another qualifier, Nicola Bewiey (Avon) and the winner plays Mrs Gilks. Mike Tredgett and Nora Perry.

For the record

Tennis METZ: Grand Prix Tournament,
Mon's Singles, first round: G.
Fibley Australia: beat A. Kreelic
WG', 6-5, 6-5; U. Marten (WG')
beat I. Vanter (France). 6-5, 7-5, 13-11; S. Savvasen (Ireland, beat
C. Wittus (US). beat J. Polite
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France, A. Savvasen Seat J. Folite
Warwick (Australia, beat J. Sticks
stein (Israrit, 6-7, 8-6, 5-1).

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the top seeds in the mixed doubles, represent England's best chance of a title win. They should meet Svend Pri (Denmark) and Mrs Gilks in the semi-final round and process to a final against the bolders, Hadinata Christian and Imelda Wigoeno, of Indonesia. Mrs Gilks and Mrs Perry are seeded second in the women's doubles behind the holders, Miss Verawaty and Miss Wigoeno.

Robins's Young England M. 123 for O 124. Overs (K. Sharp 64 hot out; C. W. J. Alhey 49 not out). Young England won by 10 wickets.

Rackets

struggle to beat American Frankfurt, March 18.—Britain's Frankfurt, March 18.—Britain's No 1 Christopher Mottram, recovered after a shaky start to defeat the young American, Kevin Curren, in the first-round of the WCT tournament here, Mottram dropped the first set 3—6, but worked hard to come back into the match and rock the second set.

Oxley.

Tennis

the match and took the second set 6—4. In the third set the British player raced home 6—0. Other first-day tournament_winners were Tim Guliikson, Brian Gottfried and Butch Walts, all of the United States, Phil Dent, of Australia, and Hans Gildemeister, of Chile. of Chile.

FIRST ROUND: C. Moltram (GB)
beat K. Cestren (LS), 5-6, 6-4,
6-0; T. Guillison (US) beat A.
Pattison Rhodesta 5-6, 7-6,
6-3; B. Gottiried (US) beat I. Lend
(Czechoslovakia 7-6, 6-2; H.
Gildemeister (Chile) beat D. Joubert
(SA), 6-1, 6-2; P. Dent (Auatra)
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Mottram has to-

Rugby Union

Rosslyn Park prepare for the 42nd annual flood

By Peter Marson By Peter Marson

For the first four days of next week Rosslyn Park Rugby Footbail Club will be awash with schoolboys, some three thousand of them of all ages, shapes and sizes. This annual flood, now in its forty-second year, is known better, of course, as the National Schools seven-a-side tournament. As always, the entry this year is bigger than before with 275 schools competing in what must be, of its kind, the world's most presigious event.

The administration involved in a mammoth exercise such as this cannot be easily imagined; the organization over the four playing days must be, quite simply, awesome. This year promises to be more exacting still, for, as a result of last season's heavy programme at the Bank of England where the pitches took a fearful hammering, the ground there is not now available.

not now available.

Thus the first five rounds of the Festival competition for schools playing rugby in one term only, will be played on six pitches of the University of London and the BBC at Motspur Park, and KCS Old Boys on the Kingston by-pass. The subsequent four rounds on Tuesday will take place as before on Rossiyn Park's main pitch. The Open tournament will be subject to the same arrangebe subject to the same arrange-ments, with the final three rounds

taking place at the Park on Thursday.

Derek Tanner, chalrman of the organizing committee, said yesterday that he had felt obliged to make one slight alteration to the rules governing entry into the Festival event. Costs facing schools from Ireland, for example, were very heavy—in the region of \$1,000—and with this in mind an exception had been made for a handful of schools who come from afar and play rugby in two of the winter terms. Campion School, from Greece, will be the turnament's only overseas visitors Record to maintain: Marcus Taylor, of Cowley High School, St Helens, captains the England 16-sgroup team against Portugal at Twickenham today. Taylor, a scrum half who has been playing rugby since the age of 11 and who is also a talented badminton and tennis player, is one of three representatives from his school.

He is joined by Ian Aspinall, in the centre, and David Roy, at No & England have an impressive record to maintain:

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All-white team still expect to play Lions

Salisbury, March 18.—Southern Rhodesia's all-white rugby heam are expecting to go ahead with their match against the British Lions in June, despite the rise to power of Robert Mugabe's black majority government. Des van Jaarsveldt, president of the country's rugby union, said today: "We have had no directive from government, so as far as we are concerned the game goes ahead. It can only do a lot of good for the Lions to play in Zimbabwe." Mr Mugabe's incoming government, which will assume full powers on independence from Britain on April 18, has already served notice that it will follow the Organization of African Unity (OAU) policy barring sporting links with South Africa and with the Republic's sporting partners. the Republic's sporting partners.
The new government is also expected to join the Supreme Council for Sports in Africa, which has condemned the Lions' June tour of South Africa. Mr van Jaarsveldt said that Southern Rhodesia's rugby players were still uncertain of their sporting future under the new government. Government officials indicated that, only a week after the

new cabinet line-up was announced, a detailed sporting policy had not been worked out.

WBC give Hope months decide on title defence

The World Boxing Council (WBC) have given their light-middleweight champion Maurice Hope, of Britzin, a month to agree to defend his title. The WBC said in a statement in Mexico City yesterday that Hope must decide by April 15 if he would defend his title against Carlos Herrera, of Argeotina.

The WBC said that if Hope was unable to meet the deadline he would be stripped of his crown. A bout for the vacant title would then be held between number one contender Matloli and Herrera.

Hope has not boxed since winning the title from the Italian Rocco Matloli and Herrera.

Hope has not boxed since winning the title from the Italian Rocco Matloli a year ago. He recently underwent an operation for a detached retima in his right eye. The 29-year-old champion was to have defended his title against Tony Chiaverint, of United States, in Loudon on March 4.

The American promoter, Bob Moday night but so with the did to withde The American promoter, Bob Arum. wants Britain's Alan Minter to defend his world middle-weight title against the Mexican Marcos Geraldo. Mr Arum said in Las Vegas that he expected Minter

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Show jumping

Broome in driving seat

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris
David Broome, who wil compete
at the Vienna show from March
21 to 24 with Harvey Smith, Nick
Skelton and Sally Mapleson is still
well in the lead for the World
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Caroline Bradley and Derek
Ricketts are disputing second

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'Wise men' in strategy to end a 28-year rugby famine Yorkshire's plan to rally the clubs nations were sought for a county
"B" side. 77 were received.
These players could not be individually assessed by the comitem.

Selection advisory panel, to report
promising players to the selection
committee. Mr Calvert, a Wakefield club official, and his selectorial committee, G. Cooke

By Tom Cooban.

Twenty-eight years have passed since Yorkshire were last county rugby champions, and this is a state of affairs the selectors have decided cannot be allowed to continue. In a similar situation rugby men south of the Trent would see no cause to worry, but then, the county rugby title is of much less importance in Moseley, Richmond and Blackheath than it is in Bradford Sale and Gosforth. is in Bradford, Sale and Gosforth, Concerned at the disappointments borne by loyal supporters in too many lean seasons, the Yorkshire selectors, under their new chairman, Alan Calvert, have made a study of the poor results. They are agreed the main problem is the difficulty of assessing the talent they feel sure exists in the county's 131 clubs—when nomi-

Administrators in amateur sport the Yorkshire committee's geographical problem, Mr Calvert, Comments that in Walnut comments that in Wales most of the leading clubs are within a 25-mile radius of Treorchy A is in Bradford, Sale and Gosforth,

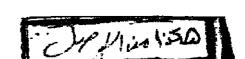
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Letters will shortly be sent to about 40 "wise men"—ex-county players, coaches and perhaps some referees—to ask them to form a

field club official, and his selectorial committee, G. Cooke
(coach), R. Aspey (secretary), D.
Hopper, J. Greenwood, R. Childs
and R. Sangwin, see the strategy
as a devolution of responsibility
which will give all the county's
clubs an opportunity to help in
team-building, it will also remove
a feeling—which is unfounded—
that some clubs and some areas
have enjoyed preference in
selection.

Mr Calvert believes that competition against better sides propetition against better sides produces effort and emulation, but

not the complete player, who emerges only after coaching in a squad of perhaps 30, which combines individual skills into an effective whole. Before this can be effected, a formidable amount of effected, a formidable amount of arranging, assessing, reporting and training has to be completed in readiness for the traditional match against Ulster, on the first Saturday in October, which immediately precedes the county series. Time is not on the selectors' side, but they believe that, with the prospect of a more successful era as the spur, the clubs will rally to them.



rs Barber trims irse in day of ash and squelch

agreeable prospect of ag allegiance from a port to a summer one to be an illusion. The golf course, even when snow had been allowed se, was much less hoshan the Dortmund ice ay caused by the snow, rain, reduced the first round in the fart round in the Avia foursomes to mine holes.

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obtruded. These two also lost a shot at the first, and thereafter strong together a solid array of par figures, as well as recovering a shot at the datht. Amon gibose on 37 are Linda Bayman, four times a previous winner with three different accomplices, and Maureen Madill, the British champion. Their start was even less encouraging than the leaders', because the first hole cost them two strokes. This is a par three 207 yards, though out of everyone's range today so far as I could tell. Mrs Bayman thinned a nine iron, "a nervous first shot of the season", she explained, and she and her particler needed three more. Miss Madill's nine iron made partial amends at the second and Mrs Bayman's, now under firm control, did likewise at the fifth. But Amon gibose on 37 are Linda Rayman's, now under firm control, did likewise at the fifth. But the short fourth (134 vards) had extorted rehrete putts. The tournament is now reduced to 63 holes.

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Gary Player believes the army will make a man of his boy

reture masters played in Alabama, in which he came with a rush in the last round to win with 66 in a field containing a horde of America's best under-19s. He then returned home to finish second, for the first time, in his native Amateur

Amateur

So much for the record; what of the boy himself? He is without doubt a better golfer than his father at the same age. He is immensely strong, outdriving his father by 40 yards, although that does not carry quite the same significance it did five years ago. For his age he has had a vast amount of experience competing against professionals in three continents. I saw him at Madrid for their Open as much at home on the practice ground as though he had been born on it, and telling me without a trace of modesty of the low scores he had been shooting that winter back home. He has a famous father to help him avoid the pitfalls should he decide to follow the same road.

"There is no one better than

ourse of emptying a litre mineral water Gary 's talking about his son, and trying not to sound like the proud father. Is basking in the after-jus victory in an invitament in the Ivory Coast.

ayne has glittering golf future

Ballesteros for Muirfield Open

Severiano Ballesteros, of Spain, the Open champion, and his predecessor, Jack Nicklaus, of the United States, are among the early entries from exempted players for the Open golf championship at Muirfield in July. Altogether 92 players will be eligible for exemption and 32 of these have so far entered.

entered.

Other Americans include Tom Watson, the 1975 and 1977 champion, Johnny Miller, winner in 1976, Arnold Palmer, who was successful in 1960 and 1961, Hale Irwin, the United States Open champion, and Frank (Fuzzy) Zoeller, who won the United States Masters, Polimer, who did not play jast year, has been exempted as one of three most immediate Open champions prior to 1970.

Left lumpage. The fifth leg of

Left luggage. The fifth leg of the Asian circuit was in the hal-ance yesterday, as more than half of the 100 golfers arrived in Kuala of the 100 golfers arrived in Kuala Lumpur without luggage and golf clubs. The golfers, who ficw in from Calcutta where the fourth leg ended on Sunday, were shocked to find their luggage and golf sets were not on the plane, Airline officials said the luggage and clubs had been found in Bangkok and would be flown to Kuala Lumpur immediately. — Agence France-Presse.

depots at Caterham and all over the world. It is the army's way of pointing out that, in the army, background means nothing and military rank everything.

Cricket

Nicklaus and Pakistan win a battle but not yet the war

Labore, March 18.—Pakistan's morning when the wind blew over a sightscreen and at lunch Ausmaly won a long battle with the tustralian opener, Julien Wiener, o give his side the advantage for the first day of the third minutes before the break. The minutes before the break. The minutes before the break. The minutes before the break to make the minutes before the break. left arm spinner, Iqbal Qasim, finally won a long hattle with the Australian opener. Julien Wiener, to give his side the advantage after the first day of the third

arter the first day of the Unfil and final Test here today. Qasim bowled Wiener for 93 in the final session and Australia ended the day on 239 for six. Had Wiener survived, Australia might have moved on to a match-winning total but now they will be hard pressed to secure the win they need to square the series 1—1. Qashm, who took 11 for 118 in Pakistan's victory in the first Test, bowled 29 overs today and took

bowled 29 overs today and took four for 64.

Australia's captain, Greg Chappell, made the other major contribution to the total, scoring 56 which included his 5,000th run in Test cricket. This figure has been achieved by only four other Australians—Bradman, Harvey, Lawry and lan Chappell. Chappell, who won the toss, was the only barman to time the ball with any certainty on a bald, slow pinch and his 50 off 56 balls included nine fours.

Ten minutes were lost in the

afternoon was the most produc-tive period, with 110 runs being added thank mainly to Chappell's authoritative innings, which ended at 136 when Imran Khan had him leg before.

FAIL OF WICKETS: 1—50, 2—55 3—156, 4—155, 5—304, 6—216. BOWLING sto date: imran, 15—0 Mudarose, 2—0—3—0. Dusim, 29— 8—3—1. Tausif, 1—3—3—1. Rais, 8—1—28—0. Ariar, 2—1.

Pakistan's invariably lifeless plkhes seem to encourage this unusual cricketing feat and of the nearly 30 instances recorded in first-class matches two were at Karachi in the 1960s. Also at Karachi in 1978, Pakistan's captain and wicketkeeper, Wasim Bari, used 10 bowlers including himself in England's second innings of the third Test but surprisingly did not put on Wasim Raja, a regular leg spin bowler, who had 13 overs in the first innings.

sings.

Similarly, in the final match of the abortive series between India and England in 1964, when all five matches ended as draws, England employed 10 bowlers in India's second innings, including the wicketkeeper, Parks; but the captain, M. J. K. Smith, did not bring himself on. Though not a recognized bowler, Smith had bowled 13 overs in the previous Test.

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A foomote: the happenings in a 12-a-side match in Cambridge in 1880, when all 12 team members bowled, are unlikely to be re-

Pakistan's invariably lifeless

Chappell stirs memories of the year of Grace

By Marcus Williams

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One of cricket's oldest records was equalled last week, almost unnoticed. When all 11 Australians bowled in Pakistan's innings in the drawn second Test march in Faisalabad, it was the first time this had happened in Test cricket since the third Test between England and Australia at the Oval in 1884.

Declarations were not allowed until 1889, and Australia's man-moth first innings of 551, spread over 311 four-ball overs, was that the boy's compulsory service in the army can only do him good.

Basic training in South Africa sounds much the same as anywhere else. "What is your name, you horrible little runt?"—"Player, sir."—"Meyer?" (deliberately misheard).—"No, sir. Player."—"Player, eh? Doesn't your father play golf?"—"Yes, sir."—"Well, so bloody well do I—so you can (expletive) well forget about that." Young Player was being put in his place as thousands have been in recruiting depots at Caterham and all over moth first innings of 551, spread over 311 four-ball overs, was grinding remorselessly on. England's captain, Lord Harris, decided it was time to call up his secret weapon, the wicketkeeper, the Hon Alfred Lytteiton, who handed over his pads to W. G. Grace and proceeded to take four wickets for 19 in 12 overshowing lobs; the good doctor held one catch. When England eventually batted, they repiled with 346 and, following on, were 85 for two to feave the three-day match drawn.

In Pakistan last week the first of the five days had been washed out and Greg Chappell's decision to let the Australian innings of 617 run its full course over nearly three days—was he playing to pre-1889 laws?—made the result a foregone conclusion on a dead wicket. With Pakistan left no option but to bat out time. Chappell himself kept wicket during the last day while Marsh bowled 10 overs for 51 runs; unlike his distinguished predecessor, he met with no success.

background means nothing and military rank everything.

Gary believes it will all do him more good than harm—that it will give him the chance to appreciate the good things in life without taking them for granted. His letters home—they have to write once a week as in prep school—show signs of that. Turned out of bed in the middle of the night, rimning five miles in full battle order—what will emerge after two years will be a man, immensely fit and with the conceit of youth not knocked out of him, we hope, but restrained—and the golf will still be there. The army recognizes a sporting talent, whatever it may say, and will not allow it to decay. He will still not be 21, and the experience he may hope to have gained in self-retance will be especially valuable.

Mark O'Neill, aged 20, son of the former Australian batsman, Norman O'Neill, has been given a Norman O'Neill, has been given a four-month contract with the MCC cricket staff. O'Neill, a batsman like his father, has played for Western Australia and will have his scholarship as the state's most promising cricketer paid for by an Australian building society.

O'Neill for MCC

Motor racing

Jones doubtful for Long Beach

Le Castellet, France, March 18. Williams, said that Jones had The Australian formula one driver, Alan Jones, may have his world championship hopes seriously damaged because of pleurisy. The burly 32-year-old Australian, currently lying second in the world title chase, was unable to rest his Saudia Williams on the Le Casteller circuit on Monday and the team manager. Frank and the team manager, Frank Renault.-Agence France-Press

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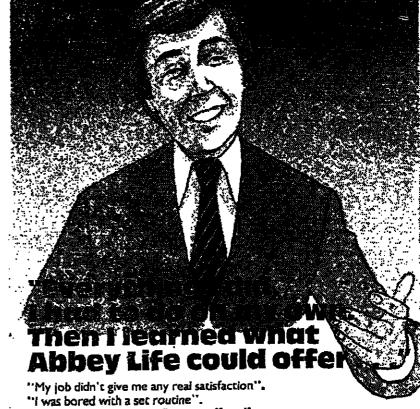
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Peter McEvoy to make at in the championship.

There is no one better than he of the same age in the world "is his father's confident assertion. "and he has a great deal going, for him." There in the doubt. has it all been too easy for him? "When I was his age", Gary says, "I knew that if I failed I would be eating beans; in his case if he does not make the grade he will still be driving round in an expensive car." There is a cocksureness and mild conceit about Wayne that could work either way. Gary is well aware of that, although he yould not put it in quite the same language; but he does feel

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Tinkler was yesterday of the course at 7.00 am today to decide prospects for racing. After an inspection late yesterday after on the horse ran in a chance we will be able to race. Kelso, the other meeting of the course of the same category is Thickney of the course of the same category is Thickney of the course of the same category is Thickney of the course of the same category is Thickney of the course of the same category is the course of the past two seasons vingent of the past two sea

soie.

Gary has no doubt that Wayne will want to turn professional, but there will be no attempt to hurry him. If the opportunity offers, he might stay in the amateur world to get used to it all again.

Dublin, March 18

Over the past two seasons Vincent O'Brien has repeatedly had his carefully laid plans thrown into disarray by bouts of virus infection. Yesterday, however, he reported that everything has gone well in 1980 and through the winter his team have not missed a single day's exercise.

At the end of hast term his unbeaten Lyphard colt, Monteverdi, shared top spot with the French colt Dragon in the international classification which took in the top two-year olds in England, Ireland and France. Monteverdifirst made a notable impression when as an unfancied 16-1 chance he won the National Stakes at the Curragh. This is Ireland's higgest two-year-old purse, worth more than £25,000 to the winner, and Mouteverdi came clear soon after halfway to win by two and a half lengths from Cobbler's Cove.

Immediately afterwards he was nominated as the stable runner for the Dewhurst stakes and on this occasion he topped the market at 15-8. The gamble was duly landed by two lengths from Tyrnavos, but not before he gave his supporters a fright when veering sharply left on the run down past the bushes.

Over the winter he has grown appreciably, but he still measures only 15 hands 24 inches high and both in confirmation and on pedigree he looks an ideal Epsom. Derby type. He would, however, need to improve his steering to act around Epsom.

He looks like being Vincent O'Brien's first runner of the new immediately afterwards he was

October.

Through the winter has trainer has spent a lot of time rrying to teach Thousandfold to settle down and conserve his energy, but seemingly to no avail. On the gallops Thousandfold is still very keen to go and it has now been accepted that sprinting will be his game. His reappearance will be delayed until the end of April and his prime objective will be the King's Stand stakes at Royal

Guineas.

The Irish two-year-old scene in 1979 was once again dominated by the O'Brien stable who came up with five out of the top six in the local classification. Ranked clear second best, 41b behind Monteverdi, was Thousandfold. He showed a lot of speed when winning at Doncaster in the Ribero Stakes over six furlongs and subsequently was even more impressive when winning the furlong shorter. Waterford Testimonial Stakes at the Curragh in mid-October.

An unusual colf of more than average ability is Del Sarto, a half brother to a Kentucky Derby winner, but a colt who has only one eye. For that reason he will always be more effective when racing on a left-hand course and on his last appearance at Leopardstown the judge ruled that he won by 12 lengths. O'Brien is quite sure that Del Sarto will stay one

season when he has a choice of home targets between the McCairns Trial Stakes at the Phoenix Park on April 5 or the Gladness Stakes at the Curragh a week later. The present thinking of O'Brien is that given good ground it would be wise to snap up the goes to Newmarket for the 2,000 Guineas.

The Irish transparently scane in the stable a still bark.

the King's Stand stakes at Royal Ascot.

An unusual colt of more than

this American-bred was a clever winner of the Beresford Stakes at the Curragh. Amongst the unraced horses in the stable, a still backward but potentially top-notch individual is Benefactor. He has the distinction of being a half brother to Alleged, twice successful in the Prix de l'Art de Triomphe.

The Kevin Prendergast stable hit form et Phoenir Park on St Patrick's Day when Skinflint won the Burmah-Castrol Trophy by a length from the favourite, Winds of Winter. By all accounts Olinda is a long way in front of Skinflint and the rest of Kevin Prendergast's three-year-olds.

There can be few better maidens in training in England or Ireland than Con Collins's Cobbler's Cove, who was second in the National Stakes to Monteverd. Dermot Weld started the year with a big disappointment when Smokey got cast in her box. This filly, who was rated the best of her sax in Ireland last season, injured herself badly and it is doubtful if she will ever race again.

An Irish 1,000 Guineas hopeful

again.

An Irish 1,000 Guineas hopeful could be Daness, who is trained at the Curragh by Liam Browne. She ran several good races at home last season and on one occasion at Navan put 10 lengths between herself and her pursuers.

STATE OF GOING (official): Wor-caser: Hoavy (inspection at 7). To-morrow: Down: Good. Towessier: Heavy. Dominister: Soft.



2.30 Isle of Man. 3.0 Knight: O' The Resim. 3.30 Narvik. 4.0 Monteverdi: needs to improve his steering before he tackles Epsom.
4.30 Limites.



Why some people do not think our policemen are wonderful

Never in recent years have the police faced so much criticism on so many fronts. The row over deaths in police custody and the use of the custody and the use of the "sus-laws—the 1824 Act giving the police powers to arrest a suspected person— lottering with intent—are being examined by the Commons Select Com-mittee on Home Affairs. Operation Countryman, the investigation into alle-cations of widespread contention in gations of widespread corruption in London, has yet to produce results com-mensurate with the effort put into it. The activities of the Special Patrol Group have been under attack, though some reforms have been announced. And the outspokenness of certain chief constables, following the example of Sir Robert Mark, has drawn them into

public controversy.

The natural tendency of the police is to stand upon the good reputation they have so far had with the public and to round on their critics. But the dangers of alienation from the public were foreseen both by officers in the police and by authorities outside. The fact is that, although police in some parts of the country have tried to adjust, in other parts a wrong direction has been taken, and unless urgent reforms are under-taken, they will find it increasingly difficult to do their job.

Their great mistake has been to react

without due sensitivity to the need, first apparent in the 1960s, to become more efficient. The tendency of policy decisions to that end though necessary in themselves, has helped to put them at a distance from the public.

Larger police forces covering wider areas more economically is one reason. Over-centralization, with too neavy a reliance on specialist squads like the reliance on specialist squads like the Special Patrol Group, is another: they just cannot hope to rival the sort of knowledge that can be built up by officers working full-time in the locality. It was thought that improved communications, in the shape of pocket radios and the greater use of police cars, could enable more efficient use of efficers in response to trouble. But the sort of self-reliance that old-style policemen needed (because they simply could men needed (because they simply gould not seek advice or call up reinforce-ments quickly) has been weakened; much of that old-time skill was in handling difficult people and calming potential trouble, so as to preserve the peace. There are occasions when a too swift reaction by too many policemen called up via the radio can create the very disturbance they are anxious to

The development of techniques which enabled police to target effort on more serious criminals has depended to some extent upon increased surveillance and data storage. There is a danger here, that the police national computer could become a substitute for local use one to supplement the other.

techniques has been the need for the Special Branch to try to apticipate terrorist outrages, though the wish to anticipate communal or civil distur-bance is bound to lead to friction. Any failure to distinguish between valid dissent and subversion can be a just cause for criticism : the current concern over telephone tapping is not just left-wing inspired but the symptom of a

wider loss of confidence. There is too little accountability. Rightly, police authorities, the civilian bodies supposed to keep an eye on the police, are not supposed to interfere with police operations. Nor is the Home Secretary, the police authority for the Metropolitan force. Yet if police operations do cause concern there ought to be ways of bringing them into line, if

criticism is valid.

That job needs to be done in more detail and openness by the Chief In-spector of Constabulary with the aid of more resources. He deserves to e given a squad of top-grade officers and powers to coopt more, so as to investigate the more serious complaints and initiate inquiries of the kind Country-man is now pursuing. Not only should his annual report contain a review of police activity, but provide details of ng on some of the work note in the police college and other academic ristitutions. He ought not to be affaid of controversy. If he were in a position to speak up on behalf of the police, balancing support with criticism; other chief officers might not feel so strongly the need to proselytize.

His report ought to include information about the amount of telephone tapping and information held in computers and scrutinize the circumstances of deaths in police custody. He could be more open about the activities of the Special Branch.

The chief inspector's assistants ought also to prepare reports on each force in the country for publication by police authorities, who should be able to call on the compilers to give evidence in public as an independent check on the powers of chief constables, rather as the solect committee is at present committee in powers of chief constables, rather as the select committee is at present examining police witnesses. The inspector needs to be able to produce his own separate report on the Metropolitan Police, and, as in the case of other. give details of investigations his staff have carried out.

It would be good public relations for the commissioner of police to give a

Paralleling the development of these poperational successes and failures and verbal presentation of his annual repor act as a fertilizer for new ideas, draw, to the Greater London Council, which ing on some of the work done in the should have at its disposal the chief should have at its disposal the chief inspector's report on the force. Such all arrangement might provide an effective compromise, if the police authority soft the Metropoliting force remains file. Home Secretary for present effective scrutiny of the Metropolitan Pelice is hidden by the threatherners. It is applied for example, that the report in the Special Patrol Groups now in Me White-law's handle, counted not have been published, so as to increase confidence with the aid of an inspector of constabulary as an expert witness, it ought to be possible for the police authority overseeing the Metropolice acted.

overseeing the Merseyside force to inquire why it has not, for example, acted more extensively upon the massively detailed report for Kirkby produced in 1975 by Chief Superintendent wirman Chapple, then with the farse and now an assistant chief constable in South Wales. Had there been a greater willingness to act upon some of his mounted reforms and apply them not only to Kirkby, but throughout the force, it is arguable that relations between public and police could be better than they and police could be better than they are today.

Peter Evans



The human face of social security

Will the Eudget contain new measures] rates, will Sir Geoffrey Howe prevent some of them from maintaining their purchasing power? The current budgetary debate, coming so soon after Mr Reg Prentice's increase of 1,050 in officers to chase social security abuses, underlines a real and alarming change in parliamentary attitudes. The welfare

bipartisan consensus. This is sad because the one thread that links Sir Keith Joseph's free market Elysium, with firms booming and busting at a profligate rate in response to the state of the market. with Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn's vision of a technological future in which everyone must change jobs a dozen times to keep progress with the steely advance of science, is just this. Both futures need to be lubricated with a generous financial infrastructure, widely supported by the politicians and public, which can insure individuals and society against the costs of tran-

It would be refreshing now, as unemployment trends upward from 1,500,000, to hear monetarist hawks like Sir Keith recognize that a decent level of benefits is intrinsic to their strategy for getting the economy right. There would be special advantage in this because, in his earlier incarnation as Social Services Secretary to Mr Heath, he did his bit to shoulder responsibility for the low paid working poor by devising Family Income Supplement. The fact that FIS is now a rather small scheme, helping only some 85,000 families of whom about 40 per cent have one parent with the majority of the rest being farm labourers, does not le detract from his wisdom in accepting

to withdraw welfare benefits or, what if fits would not emerge totally is equally effective at present inflation; unscathed from the Government's assault on public expenditure. There is also a case for arguing that attempts to police the system against "scroungers'—however much more revenue-effective it might be to appoint scroungers—however much more the halt to section one payments under revenue-effective it might be to appoint the Children and Young Persons Act, 1,050 more tax inspectors—could strengthen the public acceptability of break-up of families for economic supplementary benefits. But what is reasons, and the taking of children into state basis of benefits is losing its more surprising is that the combination of tax cuts, increased charges and reduced public services is largely hitting two sets of people whom Con-servative philosophy holds dear: families, and those low-paid earners whose work incentives should be kept

> doorstep.
> Just as bringing more low earners into the tax net helped to fuel workingclass resentment at high taxation and the power of the state, so a policy that hits the real family budget in the bottom 25 per cent of incomes may seem far more immediate now than the small forgotten bonus of last year's tax cuts. And, as Dr David Donoison, outgoing chairman of the Supplementary Benefits Commission which is being merged with the National Insurance Advisory Committee points out, there are at least six measures which together

> as sparkling bright as a houseproud

are at least six measures which together can cost these families dear.

They are the ending of the old electricity discount scheme which helped about 4,500.000 people (its successor is now helping only 350,000); the general increase in council rates and rents which is on a steeper upward graph than low pay; the prospect of much higher school meals and trans-port costs which means that, for a family with four children just over the eligibility limits for FIS, almost half the father's net income could go in those alone; the withdrawal of educa-

It was perhaps inevitable that bene- || tional maintenance allowances in some authorities like Cheshire, which will result in earlier school leaving; the ending by others of the necessitous clothing allowance which ensured that children were adequately clothed; and

Supplementary benefit, helping some 9 per cent in our society, is used by the poorest of all. Any cutback here by the Chancellor of the Exchequer would be hard to defend morally unless it was part of a package in which the whole nation was being asked to tighten its belt, with fuller belies tightening farthest. But what the Treasury and the various social policy departments must also appreciate is that a strategy of preserving SB while bashing every other benefit in sight can actually reduce the incentive to work. The hurdle of extra income that a family needs to make up for benefits foregone is getting higher, and SB a tighter ghetto area.

Where the economic strategy has got divorced from the Government's manifesto commitments—and there is an increasing incentive for low earning husbands with brittle marriages to walk out on their wives and children-is that it is proving impossible to cut benefits in order to restore incentives without hurting families with children. Mr Frank Field, MP, is fond of pointing out that last year's tax cuts of £4.500m put only £8m more in the way of children. But the current campaign for an extra £1 on child benefit this year. being waged by the Child Poverty Action Group he used to lead, rests on the fact that this is the one universal benefit that works, and that every study

shows that families with children get lower help in relationship to need than any other category.

Looming over the whole scene, of course, is the remorseless rise in unemployment and in the numbers who have been out of work for over a year. Already two thirds of the claims dealt with by Dr Donnison's commission last year were from unemployed claimants. And work claiming unemployment insurance benefit, the system that was supposed manifestly breaking down. Playing up "scroungerphobia", setting the working poor against those who are unemployed for reasons largely beyond their own control—and who get little credit for bearing the Friedmanite flag where it really hurts—shows a quite insuffi-cient response to the human and

national tragedy that is developing. The Government's attempt to simplify the jungle of benefits, and to make their rights clearer to beneficiaries, is wholly laudable. One of the biggest wholly indicable.

abuses, still, is the failure to take up allowances which Parliament has authorized; this was worth £340m in unclaimed SB alone in 1977, and the DHSS is still calculating what this amounts to now.

But what is badly needed is a renewed awareness that the basic structure of benefits is not an albatross round the productive capacity of this country. It is, with economic change, as much an essential and humane ingredient us the state old age pension. Somewhere between the endless com-plications of the systems, and the simplistic and diversionary attacks on scroungers", the main point is getting buried.

Richard Bourne

Battle in the committee rooms

Since February, the committee floor of the House of Commons on Tuesdays and Thursdays has been like Euston station at rush hour, for it is on this (loor that the Tory Government is forcing through its legislation on an un-precedented scale. Both the trade union movement and

the welfare state are under central attack. In fact in a series of committee rooms, the Tory proposals for dis-mantling the welfare state as we have known it are taking place. The amount of legislation is staggering and it is many years since so many Bills were coing through the House simultaneously. Legislation being pushed, incidentally, by a Tory Government who when in opposition talked about too much government and too much lenislation.

I have just finished sitting on the committee for the Social Security Bill which has taken 104 hours to complete. This included two all night sittings and a guillotine motion. Though major changes were being made affecting millions of people, there has been little modia interest. In fact. The Times has been the only paper which has cov-cred this Bill at all during its commit-

tee stage.
The Bill drastically alters the method

the basis of much of the social security | system. This will mean the introduction of new regulations affecting millions of claimants, and these regulations we have

not yet seen. There have been major debates cover-ing pensioners, child benefit, maternity grants, the death grant, one-parent families and much else.

Each committee develops a character and life of its own. Often, in what is thought to be mundane weary work. parliamentary reputations are made or lost, certainly among colleagues. Members who very rarely catch the eye on the floor of the House become brilliant tacticians and debaters within committee. It is worth remembering that Mr Edward Heath during the passage of the Finance Bill in committee probably made his reputation with Conservative backbenchers which was decisive in carrying him into the leadership over Mr Reginald Mauding. Turning again to the Social Security Bill, when the nine Labour members had their first meeting, we decided our strategy which was to dictate the course of events from our point of view. We saw little chance of Government concessions, certainly not with Mr Reg Prentice leading for them. We therefore decided to fight the Bill, give no quarter, not deliberately fillibuster, but to discuss it in some detail. We had a first class team with wide and varied experience and we decided to share the work. There were no stars but mine people grafting on behalf of the

Labour Party.
Secondly, we took an unprecedented step at our weekly briefing meetings to invite the interested pressure groups, who were bombarding us with informaof calculating pensions in the future, tion, to attend our meetings, help abolishes the Supplementary Benefits, with drafting of amendments, preparing Commission and fundamentally alters, briefs, while the Labour members took

This worked better than we could possibly have imagined. To have the possibly have integrible. To have the support of back-up organizations such as Child Poverty Action Group, Char (Campaign for Single Homeless People), One Parent Families, and also Disablement Groups, plus specialists such as Mr Tony Lynes, who has a vast experience in this field, was invaluable. Obviously, there were some policy differences between us and these groups, and there still are. But we were not there to exploit these differences but to see that the widest debate took place. For instance, the debate on the single homeless which lasted several hours, I believe was outstanding. Many of the pressure group members atten-ded throughout the long sessions late into the night and their dedication and the belief in their causes were well demonstrated.

Clause 1 of the Bill, on which we spent several sessions, dealt with the pensioners and the proposal of the Government to change the method of calculating the up-rating from earnings or prices, whichever was higher, to prices only. In the coming years this will mean a direct reduction in the standard of living for pensioners because when earnings are higher, they will not be able to share in any increased prosperity in our society. I rather regret that pensioners'

organizations did not play quite the same role as the other voluntary groups during the passage of this Bill, for what we were discussing was the future of 8,500,000 pensioners within our society.

The treadmill of sitting from 10.30 for Social Services, and MP for Salford am to 1 pm and then from 4 pm to West.

the policy decisions and the responsi-bility for the case which was put for-ward mot least, the physical stamina of the people involved. Morale is crucially important and it was interesting to note that when we were about to go to our second all night sitting, the Prime Minister graced us with her presence from about 11 until 11.30 that evening. This was obviously to boost Conserva-tive morale. Their morale certainly needed boosting for during the two all night sessions we were without the minister in charge of the Bill, namely Mr Prentice, who claimed that for thealth reasons he could not sit throughout the night. This was little consolation for his Conservative colleagues or for the unfortunate minister left in charge, Mrs Lynda Chalker.

Incidentally, Mrs Thatcher's visit elso had a stimulating effect upon the Labour side and when we rose twelve hours later with the Government having made little progress, we felt that the ordeal had been worthwhile.

The committee stage of a Bill is meant to scrutinize, amend and im-prove parliamentary legislation, but with the political Bills which are going through now, it resolves itself into a political battle. I have never known a Bill of this character where so little concession has been made by the Government. The battle in committee is part of the war against this Govern-ment where we are fighting to defend what has been achieved, to expose the Government's policies to the public and to continue developing our own alterna-tive policies for the next Labour

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His characters stride on or slink in as caricatures and partly through the writing and partly through the clever casting manage to stretch into something more alive.

that shifts the mood towards

The last on is the first out, and, as Graeme Garden arrives whimpering from the abuse he suffers from his pupils, he is clearly doomed to a nervous collapse. Victimized as well by the deputy head, who assigns first a biology laboratory and then the music room as suitable arenas for teaching Latin, he also becomes a rool in the collectivist hands of Ian Lavender, who is waging war with Royce Rymn's deputy head.

Peter Dennis makes much of Len Taunt, whose distinguishing characteristics are a marking pen and an inferiority complex; and there is Deberah Norton as the single gawkish woman teacher in the boys' school, but it is mainly up to John Forrune, as an Oxford liberal with po sense of vocation, to balance the comedy and regret of the script.

He does that well patching together the comedy and some draughty halls where Mr Stevenson tries to speak seriously about the mood of 1966, when the ideal of compreething more rangled, s and fondness for his s are enough to keep a pleasing comedy. It his, a childish prank d in drunken levity of Schooldays.

the boldness of David William's production with Annena Stubbs

production with Annena Stubbs as designer.

The Athenian wood is evoked by lighting 'Graham Walne') on cyclorama. For furniture there are ladders, and a climbing-frame which must serve, not quite conveniently, for Titania's "flowery bed." The fairies are swathed in white, Puck wears dungarees, the mortals modern dress—" weeds of Athens"? Perhaps so. Eye and ear notice such inconsistencies, but seldom such inconsistencies, but seldom are offended for long

Doubtless it was faute de micux that Peablossom and Co micux that Peablossom and Co were played by comely young ladies, for all that Bottom addresses them as "Mounsieur". It was clear that he appreciated their charms, and threw new light on his calls for their services as headscratchers. Particularly effective were the staging of the lovers' quarrels in the second act, and the strenuous Bergomask after Pyranus and Thisbe, itself violently over-acted yet

itself violently over-acted yet less embarrassing than usual (Britten's musical parodies here are, surprisingly, less than

masterly).

The RAM's opera class fielded an accomplished cast. The Oberon, Andrew Thompson, has a counter-tenor voice son, has a counter-tenor voice of modest size but pleasant, musicianly quality, and he moved well on stage. Jill Washington's Titania was confidently, potently sung, delightful to watch. Marilyn Bennett as Hermia, Timothy Evan-Jones as Lysander, both offered omens of useful careers, likely to be shared by the Bottom, Stephen Williams, and the noneyed, clowing Puck, Geoffrey eyed, clowming Puck, Geoffrey Dolon (though he should have been taught not to misaccentu-are his spoken lines). There were some choirboys in the cast from Trinity School, Croy-don, so the bold Mounsieurs might have been cast as boys.

Change of ballet -

Larry Fuller's new ballet Humors of Man, which was to have opened this evening, has had to be withdrawn, because of technical difficulties, from of technical difficulties, from Festival Baller's season at the Coliseum. It will be replaced (in a triple bill with Echoing of Trumpets and Etudes) by Dvorak Variations tonight and tomorrow and by Petrouchka on Friday and Saturday.

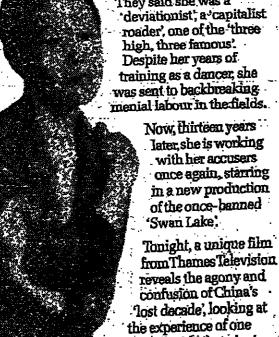
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Nostalgic recycling on the New York stage

If Britain receives scant atten-tion in the New York news media there is no escaping the place on Broadway. In the

present crop of uptown shows, six are London transfers, not counting such off-Broadway listings as Nigel Williams's Class Enemy and The Winter's Tale with which David Jones has just launched his regime at the Brooklyn Academy of

Music.
Midway between the collapse of Albee's The Lady from Dubuque and the opening of Tennessee Williams's Chothes for a Summer Hotel the theatre of the spoken word is chugging along—as in the West End—with material West End-with material brought in from elsewhere and prought in from elsewhere and recharged with newsworthy casting: such as the billing of Roy Scheider of Jans fame in Pinter's Betraval, and of Mazy Tyler Moore in the Tom Contirole in Who's Life is it Anyway. But for the indigenous Broadway product you are thrown back, as usual, either on long-running musieither on long-running musi-cals or the church sermons that are also vigorously pro-moted among the blood banks and porno snops of the West

Having missed Pastor Dale D. Hansen's You've Made Your Bed, I can at least report on Ralph Allen and Harry Rigby's Sugar Babies (Mark Hellinger Theatre), a salute to old-time burlesque fired off by two veteran big guns, Mickey Rooney and Ann Miller. This is mo ritual parade of burnt-out Hollywood stars of the kind we see in London. Mr Rooney, although now bald and spherical, has kept his fast fighting trim, and spars with the company and the house as if still taking a swing at Freddie Bartholomew. As for Miss Miller, former Having missed Pastor Dale D. As for Miss Miller, former partner to Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly and still up to 500 taps a minute, she remains as voluptuously undimmed by time as a canned peach.

The conjunction of these per-formers and their material puts two kinds of antiquity on dis-play, and I have a masty feeling that one is being expected to admire the routines as well as the stars. Ernest Flatt's produc-tion invokes the atmosphere of an old buriesque house, and the evening has the roguishly ital-icized quality which Americans used to reserve for old-time melodrama. But the assumption lingers that junk plus time equals cultural tradition, and it is never certain whether we are meant to be laughing with or laughing at the coarsely feeble sketches that make up most of entertainment.

As much as anything, the show relies on Raoul Pene du Bois's costumes to hold boredom at bay: pearl-festooned chiffon and vast cultural headgear for the chorus babies.
Rooney's grotesque wardrobe
of hats and wigs in which he
features variously as a witnessgroping judge and a raddled debutante, and the succession of slit satin draperies from which the immortal Miller legs Energy and contrast do something to make up for the lack of a single good joke or a time worth remembering.

Total in which Miss Mona and States-Soviet Copyright Agreement. It did indeed begin life down the river by a politically at the Leningrad Gorky Theatre, ally the whole thing is a super hand a but in its present version, move panied by a super hand.

Panorama BBC 1

Joan Bakewell

The new fashion for heart transplants was given the old-fashioned Panorama treatment on Monday. There have been more transplants this year in

Britain than ever before. Since they were virtually banned seven years ago, new techniques of drug treatment against rejecof drug treatment against rejec-tion have improved their chan-ces of success, and this year's series of operations has attrac-ted the headlines and the cameras. They belong to that area of technology that cap-tures the popular imagination

Extemporary

Shaw Theatre

John Percival

Extemporary Dance Company on Monday opened an outcrop of the Dance Umbrella series which forms part of the Camden

nine-second Pieces. It has choreography by Micha Bergese

to an arrangement by Dominic Muldowney of Satie's Cinema,

conscious contrasts in the stage action than in the accompani-

The gracious home of the In-

stitute of Actuaries provided an appropriate historical setting for the Camden Festival's concert

of lute music and songs from the Elizabethan era when the oaken beams of the "fayrest inne of chauncery" were first

The grave dignity of the sur-roundings was matched by the deportment of the performers, who might have shown more

smiling countenances in the jollier pieces which balanced

the solemn pavanes and dumps. Eyen John Dowland, whom they

represented generously, was not always "dolens": the Almains

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arded with an unusual trip on

Thanksgiving Day.
From first to last, the fable

Panarama's report did little to make the pulse race, or the heart pound. Unlike the heart operations, the programme has never been banned for its failure rate or developed new methods employing glamorous technology. Instead, the actual report seemed as antiseptic as the £2,000 converted room where transplant patients can hold hands with their wives only through special gloves Perhaps the reporter Michael Cockerel, wanted it that way.

and did not wish to engage our nosey-parker curiosity for the

techniques; addressing its appeal to the head and the reason. Thus it was an approach divided against itself.

What the constituent parts mixed sounds of a flute (score by Paul Horn) and a recording have in common is a lively good da Costa's patchwork costume too, also the bizarre soft model of a piano that formed part of running water, they undertook a sequence of movement that began forcefully and later became suggestively aqueous. her decor, although the backcloth seemed to contribute nothing. The work employed five of the company's six dancers, all of whom looked at Tom Jobe's The Doll, another duet for the same couple, intro-

Festival. They and two other groups are giving two performances each this week at the Shaw Theatre.

The most interesting of the five works shown was 18 Fiftytheir best in Bergese's simple but animated choreography. The remaining works were less substantial. Robb Fleming's Over. Curve Colt Whispers went on for longer than the others but seemed not to get anywhere. Where, I wonder, could it hope to get when based on such an insistently boring assemblage of noises as Richard played as a piano solo by Michael Finnissy. Music and dance both consist of many short sections, although I at least was much more aware of constitute contracts to the contract of the contra assemblage of noises as Richard Attree's specially written score. There was plenty of time to reflect on what the title could

Fleming's Island, a duet for himself and Avigail Ben Ari,

self-conscious atmosphere and more action might have made it more interesting. which framed their programme were spirited dances despite their Teutonic origins, while their centrepiece, Lord Wil-loughby's Welcome Home, was

undoubtedly a warm one. In these charming trios the virtuosic divisions were deli-carely traced by the late of Hugh Cherry while the cittern of Tim Crawford and the bandors of Paul Bruthisux neatly strummed the chordal accompaniments. Other instrumental delights for this combin-ation included John Johnson's Rogero which, like Thomas Robinson's Passamezzo Galliard for two lotes, represents a written-out version of the kind of improvisation over a standard bass which enthralled our for-

hears long before the word "jazz" entered our vocabulary.

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

ascribed to Byrd, sounded in-effectual and amorphous while the contrapuntal demands of John Johnson's Pavan were rather too taxing for the wirestrung bandora'.

The most satisfying moments

were provided by the alto, Margaret Philpot, who with her rich but lucid tones revealed the lyrical eloquence of Dowland's "Sleep wayward thoughts" and "Come heavy sleep". She even found a brighter timbre with impeccable clarity of diction for Campion's lighter ditties, "Fair if you expect admiring," "Shall I come sweet love?" and "Jack and Joan". In these Hugh Cherry provided a subtle and rich but lucid tones revealed cherry provided a subtle and sensitive lute accompaniment, while in the William Corkine setting of Marlowe's "Comc live with me" the whole quar-The solo numbers were less tet combined for the first time impressive: the lute arrange to crown the evening with a ment of Pavana Bray, dubiously simple but touching conclusion.

Ann Miller and Mickey Rooney in Sugar Babies.

With the price of a stalls seat now up to \$22.50, there is better value for money at the 46th Street Theatre's The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas, a show by no means deficient in legs, organic numbers and laugh lines, and also with a robust story to tell. Based on the case of a small-town brothel that had served the case of a small-town brothel that had served the case of a small-town brothel that had served the case of a small-town brothel that had served the case of a small-town brothel that had served the case of a small-town brothel that had served the case of a jazz queen and a cruval sading Victorian headmistress. The attre Centre, it could well be mistaken for a homegrown piece of off-Broadway kitsch through its combination of workshop techniques in a low-budget serting projected in a haze of winsome charm. Adapted from Tolstoy, Strider is a noble savage fable told through the life of a horse case of a jazz queen and a cruval sading Victorian headmistress. The girls, from Cheryl Ebarbs ties of a jazz queen and a crusading Victorian headmixtress.
The girls, from Cheryl Ebarb's lante brought pressure to close it down, Larry King and Peter Masterson's book is a Manhatgawky recruit to Delores Hall's gospel-singing black maid, are a treat. Carol Hall's country-music score, put over by a hill-billy on-stage band, lifts the tale into clear-eyed lyricism and satan tribute to the East Coast's traditional adversary. traditional adversary.

The show is a hymu to rugged individuality, local loyalty, and unspoilt rural life—enshrining all these fine qualities in Miss Mona's Model Cat House, standing "in a green Texas glade where the trees were as coolin' as fresh lemonade", and where the town football team are rewarded with an unusual trip on agely well-choreographed chorus work. Southern speech, from which the show takes so much of its flavour, should not dis-qualify it from the transationtic crossing: it is the natural West

End sequel to Chicago.

A programme note on Mark
Rozovsky's Strider (Helen
Hayes Theatre) claims it as the first play to be performed in straight animal pantonime is New York under the United not so good, even in the case of States-Soviet Copyright Agree- Gerald Hiken's lugubrious pie-

that Bach plays while Dr Yacoub operates; why give that tantalizing hint of why Derrick Morris wakes in the night to the pounding of his own chest; why the close-up of crocuses as Mr Marney tasses his new life Marney tastes his new life these were human details to touch the heart. But each time, for fear of too emotional an impact, Panorana stepped back to talk of numbers, costs,

None the less, it could be cheeky. Calling Dr Christiaan Burnard the Kissinger of heart surgery was a quip Michael Cockerel felt was worth repeating in the Radio Times. And so

duced some dramatic effects in the way the small woman was dragged or swung about by the

tail man. Perhaps it was trying

to make some comment on human relationships as well. Henk Alkeman's score for this and Charles Forsyth's for Fall-

ing Asleep were both newly commissioned; unexceptionable

did I. The sequence in which the cool Dr Yacoub flew over-night by St John air ambulance to Holland, extracted the stillbeating heart from a brain-dead body, packed it away in ice, and flew back for a policeescorted drive to Harefield and another operation was allowed just enough tension to make the spine tingle. For Dr Yacoub it seemed all in a day's work. But the disappointment for him and his team when their patient

encounter with his now equally

broken-down former master.

The moment when these two

old wrecks-man and horse-look into each others' eyes and

then fail to achieve a reunion

evokes the full presence of Tolstoy. Other happy inventions in Tohert Kalfin's production are the accelerating sleigh rides and the stasing of a horse sale

as a balletic audition with a flirtatious premier dauseur nuzzling up to the buyer. The

what one expects in this great dance capital.

Although not built for travel, lames Lapine's Table Settings Playwrights Horizons (Playwrights Horizons
Theatre) offers a form of family-life comedy that might be
profitably applied elsewhere. It
is a piece about Jewish stereotypes for characters and spec-tators who know all about Jew-ish stereotypes, thus enabling ill-used and cast aside by a profligate huzzar and finally left to rot in the stud farm of his birth where he has a last the author to compress clickes into exhibitating shorthand. Instead of linear plot we get

captioned episodes on "A mother's heart" or "Bar Mitz-vah" (with a breakneck Hullelujah chorus), all set around the table for a meal that never gets eaten, and ranging over assorted adult neuroses and adolescent frustrations so as to draw ironic parallels be-tween the grandson's refusal to finish his Lima beans and the father's hopeless attempts to ward off a piece of "lovely cake" from the Minsk grand-mother. Played on a diagrammatic Ionesco stage, the piece is also directed by the author who clearly knows his busi-

Irving Wardle

died must have been enormous.

There was a cursory look at the case for and against the high cost of such surgery, an ponse from at least someone in authority, if not the minister himself. Instead the subject himselt. Instead the subject was closed early and an inter-view with David Steel rather discourteously tagged on the

London debuts

Plunging in at the deep end

Even if she has still to learn when discretion is the better part of valour, it was exciting to hear as characterful and spirited a young pianist as the American Diane Walsh, winner of first prizes at contests in Munich and San Francisco as well as honourably mentioned elsewhere.

In a first half of Schumann she plunged in at the deep end with the Toccata, finding its melodic charm no less than its brilliance, before savouring every contrast in the Arabesque to the full. There was a winmajor Fantasy, Op 17, too, as well as tonul strength to support its climaxes. If the second movement's taxing coda monenmovement's taxing coda monetarily threw her, or least she was prepared to risk the requested speed. Yet certain details of rubato throughout the work were capricious, not least in the finale, which needed a deeper inner colm. Signs of immaturity were still more evident in an averagantic signs of immaturity were still more evident in an over-graphic account of Beethoven's A flat Sonata, OP 26, notably in the changes of tempo she allowed herself to characterize the first movement's variations. But she showed an acute ear for colour in Barbara Kolb's four nen-Debussyian impressions called Appello (1976), new to London, while in three Endes Tableaux by Rachmaninov she set the whole keyboard ablaze. According to her handbill,

Maeve Cowan Auer, a Londoner by birth though trained and now domiciled in Vienna, has recently set her sights on a soloist's career after considerable experience in the small orchestral and chamber music active. sphere. Partnered by her hus-band, Gunter Auer, she played sonatas by Schubert, Janacek and Prokofiev with agreeably lyrical if not large tone, and with painstaking musicianship, too, though not yet with that little extra touch of temperature of integrity that from ment or intensity that from the true solvist holds every listener on the edge of his chair, Janacek's disturbed work, conceived beneath gathering war-clouds, did most to break down her reserve, while Schu-bert's A major Duo and Pro-kofiev's D major Sonata, in their very different ways, were most paled by under-charac-terization. Ysaye's unaccom-panied "Ballade" Sonata (No 3) emerged sufficiently fluent to suggest that her shyness as an interpreter could bardly be attributed to technical insecurity.

As a guitar and string en-semble John Mills and the Quarter of London made their debut during this newspaper's suspension. Their second pro-gramme of Vivaldi and Boccherini, though less authentically guitar-inspired first, confirmed the refreshing charm of the partnership as sound, with the later Italian's E minor quintet, albeit only an arrangement, eliciting the richties of nuance and phrasing closely into a group of equals. Up against only three or four carefully listening strings in three concertos by Vivaldi, Mr Mills had no need to sacrifice his unaffected intimacy of style, with particularly eloquent results in slow movements.

Joan Chissell



The terrorists who compete for the headlines

fought for survival; they were virtually obliterated by assas-

accomplished in the guerrilla arts as the provisional IRA. They have the death of Mr Arrey Neave as their claim to infamy, a murder probably car-ried out by a single volunteer in London who returned to immediately after-

They are a small group of left-wingers generally referred to as Marxist, though the term has become so subjective it cannot reliably be ascribed to INLA. (The Provisionals used to be called Marxist but that was largely a whim of Mr Roy Mason.) All that can be positively said is that they are committed to a united socialist republic by means of an armed

struggle.
INLA has a gruesome reputation. The conventional wis-dom among security forces on both sides of the border is that they are more ruthless than the Provisionals. That view is based on memories of INLA's

A bundred years ago, in the spring of 1880, Lord Beacousfield called a general election. The Government's candidate at

Hertford was A. J. Balfour. In this safe Conservative seat Balfour did not have to exert himself. It was the unknown

Liberal candidate who had to

pauperism diminished . . .

and insisted that the boys in

his house should wear red shirts for football as a mark

Experimental physiologists have been under attack for some time. They have had to suffer

abusive telephone calls, rude

letters, threats and harassment

because of their experiments

on animals.

make the running.

The Irish National Liberation Army are the newest terror force in Ireland. Their origins are smeared in blood and intrigue because they literally with INLA. The rumour is that intermediaries had to be called

INLA are enormously rich and in some respects professional, though not nearly as accomplished in the susception visionals, but then they hardly need them. They carried out a £500,000 robbery at Barnagh Gap, County Limerick, in June 1978 and are responsible for numerous other bank raids as well as a bank robbery in Wicklow. Whatever County Wicklow. Whatever their shortcomings, money is not among them.

INLA's precursor was the People's Liberation Army, which split from the official IRA in late 1974 in reply to the Officials' campaign against the potential new challenger, the Irish Republican Socialist

That party (not proscribed) and INLA (proscribed) were created by Seamus Costello, assassinated in Dublin October 1977 perhaps at the behest of the official IRA, or just as likely by an internal dissident or dissidents. There was con-siderable disquiet about Cos-

tello's jealous domination of INLA, and his death was initially shattering both to the control of the control o

and the new party.

Costello's disaffection with
the Officials was essentially over his opposition to the cease-fire. He was expelled, and immediately began organizing the Irish Republican Socialis Party, which has its head-quarters in Dublin. Costello inorganizationally separate from INLA. sisted that it should be kept

Many of INLA's early recruits were trigger-happy youngsters from the urban ghettoes, frustrated at not being used by the Provisional IRA, whose ranks were tight-ened against the immature and the undisciplined. The security forces could invariably tell when INLA carried out an assassination attempt because 30 or 40 rounds would be released in wild and amateur-

rish abandon.

INLA now shows signs of being more selective in its recruitment. Its snipers favour standard military rifle manufactured mainly in Russia. They have used Soviet antitank weapons, but not for weapons, but not for il years, and they have the armour-piercing American M60 machine gun. INLA's active membership

one hundred. Their operations were at a peak early last year and in that January killed more members of the Security forces than the IRA. They are responsible for perhaps six sig-nificant incidents this year. The last attack destroyed the popular El Greco night club in Londonderry, which until then had stood in virtual isolation in a depressing scene of destruction

INLA also exploded two bombs at an army camp at Nether Avon, on Salisbury Plain, on March 7, injuring two soldiers. That must be a worrying sign in view of the group's declared target of presrige military and establishment

At ground level, INLA and provisional IRA members cooperate, though not to the extent of mounting joint operaof any significance. Ammunition shared and to a small extent light weapons are lent. At senior level relations are

cordial though it can be

assumed that the Provisionals are aware that shared propaganda means less propacial explosives, which like most of its guns come usually from Middle East sources. The IRA ganda. INLA Murdered Airey Neave at the end of March.

The car in which Mr Airey Neave died-murdered by the FNLA.

1979 : the IRA killed Lord makes its own explosives by Mountbatten of Burma five removing the relevant chemical Mountbatten of Burma five months later. The inevitable inference, though not a substan-tiated one, is that there was competition for a headline hor-

INLA operates almost exclusively in Londonderry, Belfast and the Armagh/Portadown area of County Armagh. They first emerged as a serious security threat in late 1978, but extensive police operations in mid-1979 abruptly slowed them

from commercial fertilizer, a process that is remarkably sim-

INLA is once more showing sgns of increasing its activi-ties. The intelligence services have by now doubtless kienti-fied the command structure but it takes hard evidence to convict a terrorist and under present legal restrictions that is no easy o come by. Anybody with aspirations for peace can only be dismayed by this new addition to the Irish caul-

Christopher Thomas

A hundred years on, memories of a Harrow immortal

He attacked the government's record at every point. The war in South Africa was unjust, that in Afghanistan a policy of "utter shamelessness". He condemned the Prime Minister for speaking of "our Irish fellowcitizens" in terms of "insult and ourrage". He put hefore place for a Liberal to spend the Easter holidays? He found the Jacobins a "mixed lot" and outrage". He put before the electors a vision of England as she ought to be: "There the Jacobins a "mixed lot" but he was broadly in sympathy rises at such moments before with their views and thought one's eyes the picture of what England might, with equal laws, them vastly preferable to the Versaillais. with class privilege abolished, with perfected education, with Harrow took Bowen's politics

in its stride as only a school secure in its reputation can. It The sentiments might have been those of a young Lloyd George but Balfour's opponent was a middle aged bachelor master at a public school, Harrow, His name was Edward is difficult to imagine modern public schools, so sensitive about their public image, being as tolerant of a housemaster whose hero was Che Guevara and who spent his holidays hobnobbing with revolutionaries. Bowen was, a remarkable Bowen joined the staff at Harrow as a classical beak in schoolmaster and not just hecause his radical politics seem so out of place in the world of the public school. He was an admirer of Garibaldi 1859 and remained there until his death from a heart attack while bicycling in Burgundy in 1901.

He was soon in conflict with senior colleagues who believed that relations with boys should

leader. He was in Paris during be formal and distant. Bowen the Commune. What better disagreed and mocked the older men's attitude in satirical verse: to suggest that senior Gods should be informal with mere mortals was "Rank treason discussed in the name of Reform". Bowen won, as he tended to do. The senior men found that it was possible to talk to boys without provoking

> Bowen was a natural critic the old order but he was also that characteristic English figure, the sentimental radical, the innovator in love with the past. While attacking the drudgery of the grammatical teaching classics and the foolishness colleagues who regarded schoolboy peccadillos as mortal sins, he was writing the most famous Harrow School songs: the man who admired the communards also wrote Forty Years On, the quintessence of public school sentiment.



The remarkable Edward Bowen There was something of a

contradiction, too, in his approach to housemastering. He disliked the contemporary pub-lic school worship of team spirit: neither the house nor the school was a suitable altar on which to sacrifice the in-dividual. But in his hatred of individual preference. Plain living stood in some causal relationship to high thinking. When one of his pupils, G. M. Trevelyan, took two hot baths in one week, Bowen warned him of the dangers: "O boy, that's like the later Romans,

Bowen, the devoted housemaster, took an unromantic view of the job: "One is so tied up to hours; and parents

will keep writing letters and there is always the chance the boys will set the house on fire". To Trevelyan, Bowen was very great housemaster in the Classical School.

d". To the wider world, Bowen could hard Bowen was an educational re-former whose ideas they read in the Saturday Review and the Journal of Education. He was a prolific writer. He gave evidence to royal commissions. His opinion was sought by governments. He was the most famous

Bowen the brilliant classical ution against the pre-eminence of Latin and Greek in the curriculum. He urged the importance of the first class teaching of science, history and modern languages but he refused to believe that it was possible to train a man to do the job. What mattered was that the teacher had moral gifts. " A bad man teaching history well", he told the Bryce Commission on Secondary Education, "is far

worse than a good man teaching history badly". In 1869 he launched the Modera Side at Harrow, with a curriculum "on rational principles, teaching no Greek but lots of history, modern lan-guages and science. "The success of the Modern Side is, in retrospect, his most important achievement. Unlike the Modern

Sides at many other schools,

which quickly became "a refuge for the intellectually second-rate", that at Harrow demanded and secured equal standing with

Bowen could hardly have known that the country's long industrial decline had already begun and that the attitudes engendered in the public schools were a major coutributory factor, but he was clear-sighted enough to recognize the harm done to the nation by a curriculum that encouraged the most able young men to sueer at science and modern languages.

By the turn of the century Bowen's reputation as an educational reformer had been firmly established. He had been at Harrow for 42 years and began to think of retirement. It was spring again, a spring embittered by the Boer War which he opposed and which had robbed him of a favourite pupil ne "loved almost as his own son". On Easter Monday Bowen was bicycling with friends in France. They gor off their bicycles to walk up a long hill. At the top Bowen put his foot on the pedal ready to remount. He had a clear view for miles over the Burgundian country Then the heart attack killed him instantly,

John Rae

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Animal experiments: who can calculate the benefits?

They have tended to take the view that they did not have to said that it intends to set up its own legislation and many defend their actions because it was self-evident that what they were doing was useful and could be justified to all but scientists see the present controversy as a dress rehearsal

But some university physiolo-So the Physiological Society has drawn up detailed critiques of the two Bills and is hoping gists have now decided that they can no longer sit back and hope that public attacks on their work by animal welframed its views will be taken fare organizations and antiinto account. As Dr Denis Noble, secretary of the society, vivisectionists will not amount points out, the last act on the subject, the Cruelty to Animals Their change of attitude has been brought about by the Act, 1876, has lasted more than appearance of two parliamen-100 years and the next one might last as long. "So it is not something to be done too tary Bills on animal experi-mentation; one going through the House of Commons, spon-sored by Mr Peter Fry. Con-

The society's main criticism servative MP for Welling-borough, and the other going through the House of Lords sponsored by Lord Halsbury. Both have got through the of the Fry Bill is that it restricts the use of animals to experiments "calculated to lead to the saving or prolonging of life, or the preventing or alleviating of suffering."

The society says that research scientists can only sometimes "calculate" the benefits of their research. "Typically, this But the Physiological Society are slim, the Government has stage occurs very late, when realizes that circumstances

such 'calculations' to be made.
"To impose such a restriction now would mean that future

applied work would become progressively more difficult or impossible as the fundamental base fails to grow. A recent American study of the research considered essential for certain advances in circulatory medi-cine showed that about 40 per cent of such research was not, and could not, be directed towards a specific practical nutcome at the time it was

done."
The society thinks that the Act has served science well. It recognizes that experiments need to be controlled but thinks that the system of licences under the Act has worked fairly satisfactorily. A basic licence is needed by anyone who experiments on anaesthe-

ments without anaesthetic.

But the Physiological Society

most of the fundamental work have changed since the 1876 scientific experiments (60,000 has been done that enables Act and agrees that it must be compared to 14,000), and the updated. It hopes that any new Act will make two important

First, it wants students to be able to participate in experiments. At present, nearly all teaching has to be done by demonstration. "The object is to bring home to students the very obvious fact that physiology is an experimental science", said Dr Noble.
Secondly, the society would like any new Act to allow physiologists to use wild

animals, farm animals and unwanted animals donated by their owners for experiments. The costs of purpose-bred cats and dogs have gone up from between £5 and £10 to between and £200 each over the last 16 years, making some research prohibitively expen-

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Crueky to Animals kills more than four times as many unwanted dogs each year as are used in mentation officer, says she

Physiological Society considers that some owners might like the option of donating unwanted animals to science provided that they were used only for fully anaesthetized experiments.

The pressure for change in the existing legislation has come from the animal welfare organizations, the anti-vivisec-tionists and the Committee for the Reform of Animal Experi-mentation, an umbrella organization representing many of the

animal welfare groups. The latter is particularly con-cerned that the 1876 Act governs how experiments are done, but not what is done. Strict controls are long overdue to control the usage of animals in experiments where the overall purposes are the pursuit of commercial enterprise," it said in a memorandum to the Home Secretary last November.
Dr Judith Hampson, the RSPCA's chief animal experi-

would like to see the public being able to bring prosecutions for cruelty, as provided for in the Fry Bill. At present, prosecutions can only be brought by the Home Secretary.

She would also like to see the establishment of strong scientific ethical committees which would look at what licensees

would look at what licensees were doing and question whether what they were doing was really necessary.

Physiologists reply that allowing people to prosecute scientists through the magistrates courts, as the Fry Bill does, would throw open the door to harassment and malicious prosecutions. They say that where ever possible they use alternatives to animals for experimental work, not least because of their high cost.

They feel they are being

They feel they are being squeezed from both sides : from the public, who want new cures and higher standards of safety in medicines, food additives and toilet preparations, and from the animal protection societies, who want almost all, if not all, experimentation stopped.

Above all, the Physiological Society would like to see a thorough investigation carried

e issue before any legislation framed. Annabel Ferriman Health Services correspondent

out into all the complexities of

The comparable

Bernard Levin

Max 6

It is Mark Reger's 107th birthday Ernest Newman today, which is as good an administrative of opportunity as any for many dis-Pulsapose's four case the life and work of a rom- by though a point

Mozart , Guseppe Verdi or "Peter Tchaikovsky", yet if we said we were going to a concert: of music by Rachmaninov, Rossin and Reger it maninov. Rossin and Reger it service, it seems, his would sound decidedly odd. life had obviously:
Then again, I have, inextricably wedged into my head, a read to spiritual an feeling that he lacked a sense roin." That is all, a feeling that he lacked a sense roin." That is all, a feeling that he might have been the frightfulness; though life and soul of any party he that closer examinating went to, full of merry quips period of his life with and constantly setting the table on a roar. (Mind you, Stravinsky, who met him once, sale plainty: "I found him as repulsive as his music", a com-

ment which does have a cer-tain finality about it.)

Grove, indeed, says he had a
"keen if somewhat crude sense of humour", which (this bit I am not a suggests (no details of either merely taking it on the keenness or the crudity of Grove), and that are given) that he was a my imaginary possible great one for practical jokes of which he is always a simple kind, like putting a portant figures in t small chocolete pudding on the cheer of an unpopular saxo-phonist, and even before com-ang across that reference this was exactly as I envisaged him, but I fear also thim. I have never, to my know is attributed the le ledge, seen a portrait of him; adverse critic which even the remorseless (and, to my eye, perfectly dreadful) Batt never seems to have produced one, or if he day it is have to be found among his portraits of composers in the great Dr Scholes's Oxford Companion to Music. But I think the last of interest in her than the composers in the great Dr Scholes's Oxford Companion to Music. But I think the last of interest in her than the companion to Music. But I think the companion to the compa of Max Reger as a bulky man, gestating in the wom very square in the shoulders, with a slightly straggly mous-tache, then have brushed very

The bulkiness I have in my less likely than the find's eye doubtless comes happen to Meyert mind's eye doubtless comes from the quality of such of his music as I have heard, but it might well have been based on the volume of his output. He died at the age of 43, and although his output for an average year of his working life cannot be compared to that of Schubert or Mozart, it certainly beats that of most other composers. Grove lists more than 260 songs alone (plus eight vocal duets and three vocal quartets), as well as over 200 organ works in-cluding his Opus 67, which consists of "Fifty-three easy Choral Prejudes", and his Choral Prevides", and his Opus 63, which consists of "Twelve monologues", a form of composition in which I can-not help feeling Max Reger must have excelled).
In addition there are enor-

mous numbers of chamber works and sonatas, together with many sets of variations for various instruments, some of them on themes by other composers, vast quantities of choral works, and a number of orchestral suites and ballets. He never wrote any symphonies, however (only a single sinfonietta), which I cannot help feeling is a mercy, since I suspect that if he had they would have been considerably longer than Bruckner's and considerably less inspired.

Max Reger was hit off by

cass the the and work of a tom the though mover played at concerts is this long-winded a of your which devotedly raises music. The great Mumoney for performances in places such as Holmes Chapel, ago, went to a chandal and which, when it is heard, on the whole abundantly justifies its neglect. I speak from a validating for his dream position of commanding ignorance, for there is linerally ago in the world but whose output I have heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is heard a the world's greater smaller proportion (which is in a played; it app while forming and maintaining dentally, to be the large very of it that is as firm as the proportion of the real trouble is that for I don't know the there is something about Reger set ears on anyth which makes it impossible to say what that something is Why, for a spart, that anything to go the proportion of the composer, simply known worldn't write and simply known by his surname? We do not ordinarily speak of "Wolfgang hour perform an epix "Peter Tcheikovsky" yet if youth, referred to by the most dard we were going to a the most tantalizing the policy and the most tantalizing

youth, referred to b that closer examinate period of his life we that it means only acquired a consider remember wherher. or stole from the story that Max is much given to drir He was a very (this bit I am not r

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hardly less improbathat the lightning a Parry. ("Dr Parry Shaw with deadly ar sickening for anotorio .) Max Regers constantly attacked (lifetime, though we beware of falling nomeious heffalunto ric Recognition: ma latans or bunglers, it much later as great ful innovators, but m artists have been den charlatans or bungle. seen much later as i or bunglers.

Mind you. I think t words are too harsh Reger. He clearly ha talent, though a ve one, and he could ne himself of the habit on too long, but mus indeed other) history such figures, some beat their wives as Wo is certainly not true my imaginary portrait Reger. Let bim be; w is of value in his w eventually remain invaluable sieve, while shakes through, and if have been done. Hap, C Times Newspapers,

LONDON DIARY

The great red plastic debate

A surprising amount of emrepreneurship surrounded Monday evening's debate of the decade between the Labour Party left and the extra-parliamentary left. The pre-cincts of the Memodist Central Hall had the air of a medieval fair with itinerant hawkers attempting to sell their various newspapers.

second reading stage and the

Fry Bill is expected to go into

committee on March 26.
Although the chances of either reaching the statute hook

On tables outside the meeting hall, copies of Marx for Beginners and The Bolsheviks Come to Power were prominently on display next to stands containing the Historic Roll of the Weslevan Methodist 20th Cen-

Leaflets on every seat in the hall invited people to order a of guessing which benefits are book and a record of the debate. represented by the drawings The record, which is being pro-duced on red plastic by a professional recording engineer its latest leaflet "60 ways to who normally works with pop get cash help".

groups, should appeal particularly to the 700 people who intriguing drawings from the larly to the 700 people who intriguing drawings from the failed to get tickets, including leaflet here. - Cynics could the representative from the perhaps be forgiven for think-

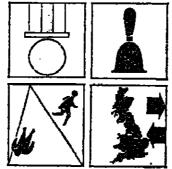
Pakistani Embassy who queued from 12.30 in the vain hope of gaining admittance to the hall.

is quite bewildering. According to the Morning Star report of Monday night's great dehate. the heckling which Mr Tony Benn had to endure came from the Revolutionary Communist Tendency, a splinter group from the Revolutionary Communist Group, which itself broke away from the Socialist
Workers Party, Mind you, I
seem to recall that the Methodists have had to face the same
problem themselves.

Whose benefit?

The Rev David Maundrell, vicar of Icklesham in Sussex, thinks that other readers may be interested in taking part in the game which he has invented used by the Department of Health and Social Security in

ing the one at the top left is a special benefit for those who appeared in a certain Prime Minister's resignation honours list and the top right one for those who share the Lord Chan-cellor's former passion for campanology. In fact they represent war disablement pensions and free school meals.



The drawing at the bottom left is perhaps easier to recognize as standing for criminal injuries compensation, although is intriguing that the viction appears to be a man and his ilceing assailant a mini-skirted

the fourth picture represents some kind of nuclear exchange, with a Russian missile making for Yorkshire and a British one coming from somewhere in the Central Highlands of Scotland. In fact it illustrates reciprocal social security agreements with other countries.

Dry run

Now the results of an earlier diary competition. Alan Hamil-ton writes: You responded magnificently with over 200 replies to my recent request for the opposite of "wets" for use as a label to pin on the hardliners of the Conservative Government. Judging by the unflattering tone of most of the entries, few readers of this particular patch of print adhere to the gospel of steamrolling monetarism.

You will see what I mean from a selection of offerings to describe the rigid Thatcher-ites: arids, barrens, desiccates, huskies, dried-in-the-wools, thatchets, crisps, stiffs, Milton Keynesians, frigids, drip-dries, brutes, Selsdomans, stiffs, auxisign-clones, gulls, dulls, dust-men, wicks, prunes, stones, mummies, saipe-noses, griss, Mr Maundrell suggests that crackers, po-faces, impermea-

bles, rhinos, dry rotters, ossifytes, tactars, drygons, high-and-dries, Maggies, wadis and thunks.

We almost went for "glacials", but decided that was really a third category to describe those who, given a few millennia, might melt their icy views. And we had to reject the state of the quite a few which, although sharply clever, were too arcane to stand much chance of passing into common currency. After much deliberation and

consultation with my superiors, I can announce that Tory rightwing economists will hence-forth be known as "dryhards". Five pounds each to the eight who suggested it: D. Kan-torowich of London N19, J. H. E. Franklin of Rochamp-ton, Mrs D. M. Rae of Leatherhead, Mrs J. Rosten of Solihull, J. M. Keidan of Edgware, Mrs A. R. Trouton of London SES, D. P. M. Michael of Newport, Gwent, and D. R. Gupta of London NW11. Congratulations to them, and thanks to all who took part. Even to the Univer-sity of Asson Conservative Students' Association, who declared that Maggie, Keith and the rest were undoubtedly

Southern sound Any proud Yorkshireman (or ancastrian for that matter) will

tell you that all the best brass bands come from northern Britain, where they were nu-tured. But although brass bands are a national phenomena, there is still a widespread if erroneous belief that, apart from the national championships at the Royal Albert Hall, all brass band activity takes place north

With the laudable double object of dispelling that belief and creating more interest in brass bands in the south of England, two emateur impresarios, Mr Robert Turner and Mr John Munn, are bringing the national and European chars-plons, Bleck Dyke Mills Band from Queensbury, near Bradford, south for a concert at Wembley Conference Centre on March 29. *We were concerned about

the situation and are attempting to do something practical about generating more interest in brass bands in the south," says Mr Turner, a Yorkshire exile who plays in the once-famous Cherk Farm Salvanon Army Band. "We have contacted 300 brands in the south and brees had bands in the south and have had

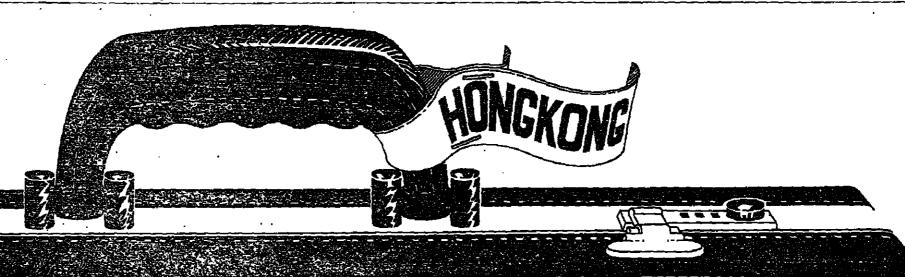


a good response from many of their members, as well as from youth and school bands." The programme will mark

the first appearance wi Dyke of composer Edwa on in the role of solo son in the role of solid Concertante for Pia Brass Band. Conducting shared by Black Dyke's director. Major Peter and resident conductor Aurobus, who will be his final appearance to the property of the piece of the to take up a new appr with another leading Y. brass band in the near

An interesting postscrip story yesterday about hourds. A graduate Andrew's University (4. that there they are wo by women. Apparently girls were admitted Andrew's at the end of century, the men were gusted that they went a to the end of the pi hurled their trencha mortar-boards are kno there, into the sea. The gone bare-headed ever a considerable sacri) would have thought,

eport assesses the political, ess and social climate in ritish-run territory on the ern coast of China. It includes -page economic briefing



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A bundle of paradoxes

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The Legislative Council carry some weight in consultations. Skill and money and has an officials such as the seeks a broader range of increasingly important role Attorney General and the views through the city disconnection and also appointed representations. The Legislative Council carry to the countries of the community. a capitalist paradise exploiting workers, a colony with out democracy. It all adds up, they say, to a blot:

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In any debate on Hong this sort of view finds expression, but it does not take into account the realities of the colony's circumitation of the colony's circumitation and extraordinary position make it a bundle of paradoxes.

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with 60 to 70 yuan (£16with 60 to 70 years (210 on the high level of its indus- are still about 47,000 refusing programme, 199) in China, although the trial, commercial and finan- gees in Hongkong awaiting already behind call development." is not as great as it appears.

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He pays possibly three Foreign Trade Minister, has the Vietnamese Government in unemployment. times that rate to his been to Hongkong twice in reversed its present policy Chinese partner, who passes the past 18 months, the man of restricting emigration. some of it on to the individ- who is now Gevernor of ual workers and retains the Guangdong province was that in the colony.

you have to set low produce east Asia. tivity, poor management and, in a country where un-employment and underem- more than 30 per cent of its ployment are widespread, total foreign exchange earnthe tendency to take on ings. Its sales to the colony more people than are necessary.

The modernization pro of Hongkong's imported gramme in China has foodstaffs and 30 per cent The modernization proaffected the pattern of Hong- of its imported fuel. kong trade as well as investment, in particular the colony's role as an entrepor. stake in the economy is reexported Hongkong \$1.315m worth of goods to China in 1979, primarily texrile products, telecommunications equipment, road vehicles, specialized machinery, and crude animal and ery, and crude animal and Chinese interest in Hong-vegetable materials. This kong are welcomed by the was more than six times the colony, however. The gra-1978 level.

It also exported \$5,663m worth of goods of Chinese origin in 1979, 28.3 per cent China. The number arrested of its total reexports and up in Hongkong rose from by \$2.004m over the previous year.

Official optimism on the of 15.047 in December.

Official optimism on the usefulness of and the colony over the "first and second bases, nast year. In March, 1979, getting beyond the New Ter-Sir Murray MacLehose ritories, he is entitled to became the first Governor stay. of Hongkong to pay an offireal visit to China since the grants, 94,577 legal immifounding of the People's grants entered Hongkong in
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there in December, and Against these advantages the end of a tour of South-

and second only to those of Japan, included 45 per cent

Investment by China Hongkong is such that its greater than that of other government, including the Government of Hong-Its interests include banks, insurance companies, retail factories,

travel and property. Not all manifestations dual blurring of the border has coincided with a huge increase in the number of immigrants from

Nearly all were repatriated. flongkong to the Chinese that 115,000 illegal imminates been strengthened by grants got through undethe political rapprochement tected. In Hongkong, once between Peking, Whitehall an immigrant has passed

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SUS4,000m and SUS5,000m proof of this in the shape of the first and most from Hongkong each year, television sers and radios showers.

> A relative in Hongkong should payment have to be made to someone who will earn more from help him get through first exports to the colony. second bases. According Edwards, deputy command-

Most of the illegal immigrants come from an area up to three and four days' march from the Hongkong border. Others come by boat from farther afield to the east and a third group swims across Mirs Bay and Deep Bay on either side of the New Territories.

The average illegal immigrant is a single man between the ages of 16 and 26, a farm worker with a low level of education. Unlike his forerunners in the 1950s work and finds it difficult to fit into a disciplined industrial society. He is not popular with Hongkong fac-tory managers. The legal tory menagers. The legal immigrant tends to be older and to come over with his Hongkong.

The influx from China affects the colony in several ways. First, it has to spend more on the Armed Forces and police. Reinforcements last year included a battamessage which was repeated more than 200,000 people panies of Gurkhas from time unless, in the meanin London in October by last year to a territory Brunci, two Sea King helitime, the Chinese make a Huang Hua, the Foreign which, with more than five copters, two SRN 6 hover-definite commitment to the Minister, after the visit million inhabitants in 408 craft and a fast patrol hoat. Square miles, is already one Nine launches have been by Chairman Hua of the most densely nonly ordered for the rolling and a square miles. of the most densely popu-ordered for the police and a that lated areas in the world. On new 16ft wire, border fence had top of this, Hongkong is being built between

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> strongly as Hongkong about the dangers of such an infor an illegal immigrant flux. A more cynical view once he is across the would be that by adding to border, and a source of cash the population of Hongkong, Guangdong province can earn more from food

Whatever the real reason, Superintendent David the increase in immigration dwards, deputy commands should be seen in the light of the Frontier Division of a more liberal policy the Royal Hongkong winhin China, which has blice, the average price resulted in greater freedom. Police, the average price resulted in greater freedom demanded by aiders and of movement. Sources close abettors of illegal immit to the Hongkong Government is SHK4,000. ment suggest also that a lack of confidence among Chinese officials may lead them to accede more readily then before to leave

> Relations between Hongkong and China have improved vastly since the dark days of the Cultural Revolution. However, from the Hongkong side there are two things which the Chinese could do to make the picture even rosier. The first would be a reduction in immigration and the second, mor specific guarantees about the future of Hongkong.

As the Hongkong economy becomes more advanced, investment tends to be more capital-intensive and slower to yield a profit. Seen in that light, 1997, the date when the lease on the New Territories expires, is not Territories expires, is not that far ahead. Mr Jimmy McGregor, director of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, believes that investor confidence in Hongkong will fall from its

Anthony Rowley, Business Editor of the 'Far Eastern Economic Review

analyses the Hongkong budget for 1980-81 and

looks at the colony's finances in the light of a recent report

Public spending has resulted in weakened dollar

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influences have been Haddon-Cave, the Financial bones about the fact that on housing. Since 1974, the liberally at work over the Secretary, appeared sanguine about Hongkong's immediate than private consumption exhibition to be property markets, which to the Legislative Council on which has pushed overall financially alarms of the money supply growth to nominally alarms slowing-down of inflation, growth in Hongkong, thus record budgetary surpluses has gone altead, in whole, has helped to raise official revenues to a point government spending. Particularly liquidity, Since 1974, the decision to boost pub. Hongkong's mome than private consumption exhibition to no housing. The decision to boost pub. Hongkong's mome than private consumption exhibition to housing. The behind the boom was underplaned by soaring traints imposed to output have given the Government As a result credit in the action in the economy as a which heavy demand while the visible trade gap and have built up the free has reflected a last growing the Hongkong fiscal reserves (untied to boom designed to whole, has helped to raise in revenues to support dollar.

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Sir Philip Haddon-Cave

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All this might be seen as speculation fuelled by local and regional funds) in the spiralling cost of residential and commercial premises in Hoogkong.

Hongkong. Inflation ran. out at 11.7 per cent last year on the basis of the official consumer price index and 13.3 per cent on the broader besed gross domestic product were published for deflator, which includes continue this year of struction costs. struction costs. But if the slightly better in index had been more realistic gross domestic purchase weighted to reflect the real (inflation soaring cost of residential terms should grow rents in Hongkong, inflation 9 per cent—less f would probably have run out than last year's 11.5 at nearer 20 per cent last but good by deve year. Inflation is almost cer- well as developed communications thought that stimulus should be given to creating a more exists in the financial ser- broadly based money market

money (money that moves the demands of the Sir Philip Haddon-Cave, has announced his intention the Financial Secretary, tried to bring forward a Bill pro-in vain to get banks to raise viding for prudential super-their lending rates about two vision of the insurance years ago, to cut the boom industry in Hongkong. He has around to attract the highest rate of interest) from neighbouring countries across the and social provision uncontrolled exchanges in Given such facts Hopekong, have helped to going to be hard halt the local currency's precipitous decline against its important trading partners' currencies. The stronger local where financiers also feel one, something which the dollar should also help the some concern. The use of diversification committee fixed-interest and fixed-term suggested should lead to a trade balance as imports will become somewhat cheaper and some slowdown while measures he

kong. As the committee put The Financial Secretary it: "Individual investors further approunced (on Feb. private consumption for controlling inter it: "Individual investors further amounced (on Febsthool to dislike such stocks perhans in part because of the Hongkong tax structure official Executive Council of the absence of exchange controls and other barriers Hongkong investors are not forced to invest in the domestic market."

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Secretary may in forced to broaden

investment Hongkong does not normally the Government being forced The lack of short-dated go in for economic planning, to admit that it may have government and commercial paper means that nearly all exaggerated the impact on Hongkong's money supply of a surge in bank lending over transactions in the Hongkong dollar money market are in the form of interbank the past two years. Likewise, the need for deposits.

ment, an approach which is generally held to have worked well as far as the colony's financial sector is improved concerned even if it is more industrial philosophy.

This approach by officialdom has led to the growth of a strong banking sector in Hongkong with some 115 mon Scott

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quasi-banks or "deposit-taking companies" from all

nver the world operating
from the colony, albeit partly for tax reasons. It has also enabled a strong securities and fund-management in-

dustry to spring up. Critics of Singapore's much more planned economy often, hold that Singapore's interventionism has stifled the republic's financial sector while the growth of Hongkong's is a vindication of laisser faire principles. This is an over-simplification. however, as the report of an official advisory committee on diversification of Hong-kong's economy showed last

The committee looked the usually unchallenged assumption that absence of government interabsence of government intervention has served the growth of the financial services sector well in Hong-long while official intervention has inhibited and stultified the growth of such services in Singapore.

The committee identified The committee identated five areas of concern which required further consideration in terms of public policy. These were: the availability of long-term finance; the need for improved channels of communication in the financial services sectors, incolonization statistical. tor; inadequate statistical documentation in the sector gaps in the Hongkong money market with regard to fixed-interest finance and provision of a full range of short-term and medium-term financial instruments; and a need for more effective regulation of the insurance industry.

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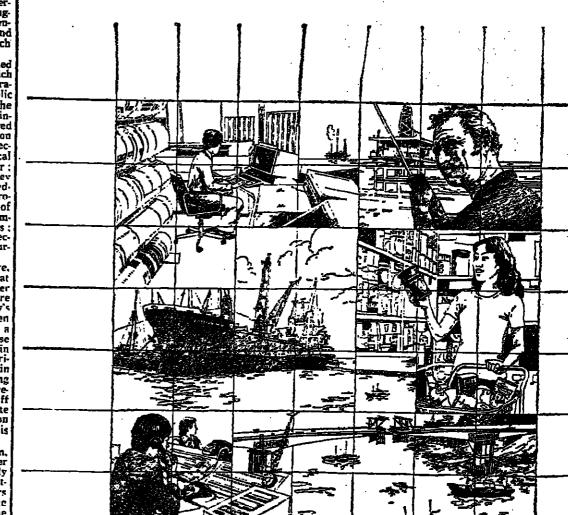
With regard to the future, the crucial issue is what view banks and other financial institutions are liable to take of the colony's long-term property since long-term prospects, given that the leases by which a former Imperial Chinese government granted Britain occupation of the New Territories are due to expire in 1997. 1997. Present accounting standards in Hongkong require companies to write off their investment by the date of expiry of the lease on land they occupy, where this is less than 50 years.

The question, then pecomes one of whether industrialists can reasonably hope to recoup their investment within the 17 years notionally left to run on the leases and, although some can in certain industries such as textiles and electronics, others which are more capital and technology-intensive

The diversification con mittee dodged the political question of the leases but concluded that an industrial development park, or some other such medium-term financial institution, might become necessary at some time if the private sector proved unwilling to lend money on the maturities industry requires.

The committee found that the activities of the financial services sector were inadequately documented in statistical terms and recom-mended reforms. This inade-quacy has manifested itself graphically this year with the monetary affairs branch of

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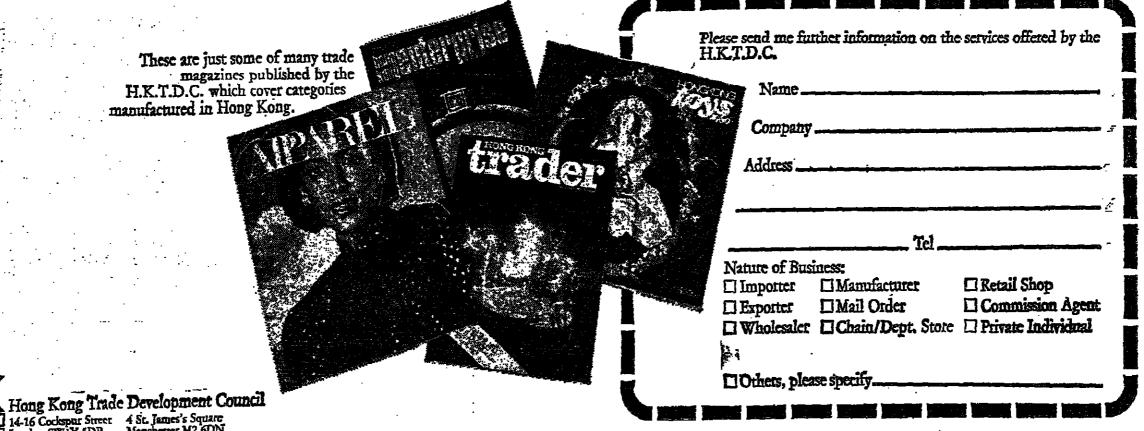
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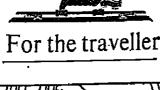
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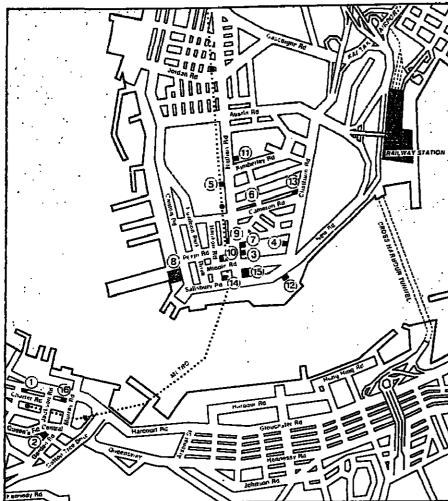
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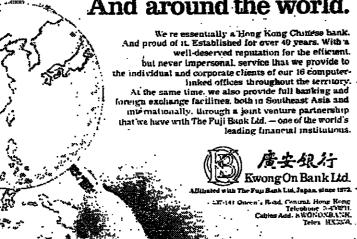
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How to get there

Kai Tak International Air- Measures port, on the north shore of Imperial and local Chinese Kowloon Bay, is used by systems are used, but the more than 30 international colony is changing to the airlines for flights to and metric system. from all parts of the world.

British Airways has regular Leisure and frequent services to the colony from London. The locally-based airline is Cathay Pacific Airways, which offers passenger services to the Middle and Far East, and to Australia. Although it is possible to reach the colony by sea, there are no longer any regular cargo passenger or passenger services between Britain and Hong-

Local Travel

Buses, hired cars and taxis are available to carry pas-

cable tramway can be taken to the Peak. Taxis without meters are called pak pai and are more expensive than those with meters; self-drive visas are not required.

Frequent daily services by Currency assenger terry, hydrotoil or etfoil operate between longkong and Macao, and a number of airlines offer international flights from Kai Tak, which is nearly four miles from Kowloon.

Weights and

A booming tourist centre, Hongkong offers almost Climate everything to the visitor, The sub-tro from topless bars to perform.

those with meters; self-drive or chauffeur-driven cars are Visas are not required by available, as are mini-buses most tourists or by holders and rickshaws. Visiting of British passports issued drivers should hold international driving permits, but According to nationality, and it is as well a Hongkong ficence may be tourists are aboved into the before leaving. a Hongkong licence may be tourists are allowed into the issued, without the driver colony for periods varying before leaving, undergoing a driving test, to from a week to six months. those possessing valid British If visas are required for onkong are high; there are licences. The Mass Transit ward travel from Hongkong many excellent doctors and

The colony's currency is the dollar, divided into 100 cents. Notes are issued in 10, 50. 100, 500 and 1,000 dollar denominations. Coins are in five, 10, 20 and 50 cent and one, two and five dollar units. \$HK10.99 = £1.

Customs, advice to visitors

Hongkong has an active Liberation Day social life. Clubs are often Day after mid-Autumn used for lunchrime activities Festival S staurants are favoured for linner. Chinese businessmen frequently offer visitors eight to 12 course meals of Cantonese or Peking-style food. It is customary to drink toast, with the greeting week. nam sing, as each course is served, but drinking is not obligatory. Good appetites are appreciated, but the risitor is not deemed impolite if he chooses to eat sparingly: informality is the

European residents enjoy giving both formal and informal dinner parties at their nomes, but eating our remains very popular in all sections of the commonity. If ordering a restaurant meal for a party it is usual to ask for a table: a price will be quoted for a fixed menu. As in China, the family name in Chinese comes first. so Tung Kai-chen would be known to Europeans as Mr

Tung. A reasonable quantity of alcohol and tobacco, together with other articles intended for personal use, are admitted duty-free through

In hotels and restaurants. rips of 10 to 15 per cent are expected if there is no ser-vice charge, and of 2! to 5 axi-drivers look for at leas O cents extra, or 10 per cenof the price of longer journeys, and gratuities to cloakroom attendants, por ters and the like are any thing from SHK2 to 5. Hair dressers expect 10 per cent of the bill.

Shopping

customs.

Hongkong is a shopper's paradise. Fixed prices are charged in the established stores, but ar stalls and in bazaars and establishments catering for local people, it is still possible to bargain. The Tourist Association issues a guide which gives useful price lists for a range of items; there are also guides to jewelry and tailor ing. Visitors are advised to ignore touts and shookeepers who call them from doo

What to wear ight or tropical weight suits with cotton shirts and ties are favoured by businessmen the summer and lighter British-style garments from November to February. A lightweight dinner jacket is useful for formal occasions, but tailors can make up visitors' requirements at fairly short notice. Light raincoars and or umbrellus are needed in the rainy sea-son but can be bought locally at low cost.

Women should take light.

eashable clothing in summer,

together with cardigans of wraps for the evening. Wool-len dresses and suits, and lightweight coats, are recommended for the cooler months. Most public places are air-conditioned.

Electricity

Domestic supplies are 200V

75813 Language

Chinese dialects are spoken.

Hongkong island is linked to the Kowloon peninsula, on the mainland to the morth, by a mile-long road tunnel and the Mass Transit Railway. Kowloon (with Stonecutters island, 5 sq miles) is in turn linked to the New Territories (370 sq miles), which are on the southern portion of China's

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Public Holidays

Ching Ming Festival Mar 31 Apr 4-7 Apr 21 Easter Queen's Birthday Tuen Ng (Dragon Boat)
Festival
Half-year
First Monday in August Jun 1

Aug Aug 25 and for cocktail parties, but Chung Yeung Festival Oct 17 Christmas New Year's Day Jan 1

Lunar New Year's Days* Feb 5-7 *Many Chinese business undertakings close

General

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about 20 miles east of the mouth of the Pearl river. Some 80 miles to the northwest is Canton, and 40 miles to the west the Portuguese buildings.

Language

English and Chinese are the official languages. In the urban areas Cantonese predominates, but several other Chinese dialects are spoken. Dialects do not affect resident.

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British Blue ensign carry-

from topless bars to performances of Chinese opera climate is extremely variable. Dry and sunny weather is colony to longer the colony to longer of first-class hotels, and more are being built: accommon during the booked well in advance.

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Chinese food is cooked in many different ways; those who are unsure about choice should try an establishment featuring dim sum, where trays containing a choice of small dishes are offered.

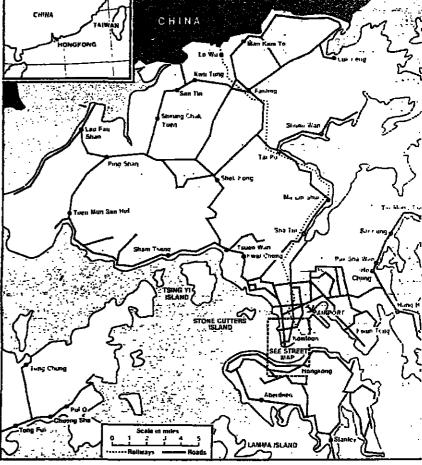
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Atter this, cloud frequently builds up, sometimes bring between the capital and the mainland, being separated from it at the eastern end by the narrow Lei Yue Mun Strait. Some land—notably in Hongkong island and Kowhoon has been reclaimed from the sea. The colony's total land area is of more than five million at the end of 1979, with only office opening hour strays containing a choice of small dishes are offered.

Cinemas are popular, and

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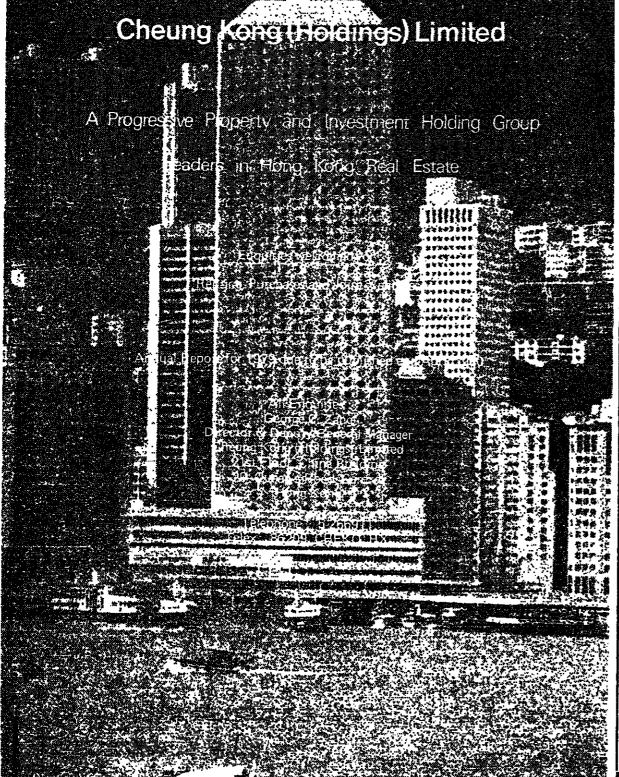
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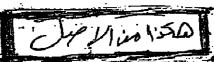
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Electricity consumption rose 8 per cent last year com-pared with 10 per cent in 1978, reflecting the higher Hon Li Fook-Kow.

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Balance	-3.87	-9.15	-9 90

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Labour force (land civilian non-institutional ropulation age 14 and above)

	1973	1978	1979	1979
	Mar	Sep	Ma:	582
Labour force	2 698.000	2.058.000	2.095.000	2.194.00
Unemployed	60.000	56.000	48 000	75.00
Employed	1.940.000	2,003.000	2.048,000	2.120.00
Labour force participation rate Unemployment rate	60.7°:	60 9°: 2.7 %	59.8% 2.3%	3.4°

Labour situation

throughout last year and by December, at \$71,000, was 6.6 per cent higher than a year earlier. Within these figures, the tentiles and clothing industries rose by clothing industries rose by 2.2 per cent, while the electrical electronics sector went up by 20.2 per cent. Employment on building and construction sites increased 15 per cent during the 12 months to September 1979 to reach 80,000.

Total population Employment in the manufac. Hongkong's economy

Although not all the new In absolute terms, per per cent higher in Novem-arrivals were of working age capita gdp last year was or participants in the labour SHK17,825 (SUS3,560) which, the numbers involved

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year and, within this, the price of fuel and light went up by 54 per cent.

For industry, the prices of raw materials and semimanufactures averaged more manuactures averaged more than 20 per cent higher, much in line with movements in world prices. Price increases for plant and machinery, mostly imported, were about 10 per cent in 1979.

Expansion of the financial sector continued rapidly. The number of licensed banks in operation rose from

88 to 105 over the year and employment increased by 20 per cent. Money supply (M3) grew

by 30 per cent, or \$22,846m while bank loans increased by 519,395m. Best lending rate rose from a level of 41 per cent before May 1978 to 14! per cent in August 1979.

Tourism

At the end of 1979 there were 46 hotels in Hongkong with a total of 14,363 rooms. compared with 50 hotels and 13,500 rooms two years earlier. The number of earlier. The number of tourists increased by 8 per cent last year, less than the growth rate in 1978.

months to September 1979 to reach 80,000.

Total population rose by an alarmingly high 5 per cent last year, compared with 2 per cent and 3.3 per cent in 1977 and 1973. Not immigration during 1979 was 188,000. This included local and illegal immigrants from china and other countries, but excluded Vietnamese refugees, who numbered about 56,000 at the end of October.

Although not all the new arrivals were of working age.

or participants in the labour force, the numbers involved were large enough to affect significantly conditions in the labour sector. Most employers welcomed the infinity of immigrants as an additional source of labour, but for employees the effect was that wages and earnings did not increase as rapidly as otherwise they might have. By September. 1979, wage rates at least for manufacturing workers were in real terms less than in March, notwithstanding a nominal term 4 per cent increase.

At the end of the year, there was no sign of ainy slowing in the growth rate of demand for labour in spite of the uncertainties surrounding the economies of Hongkong's main trading partners.

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In 1978 the public sector (including the Mass Transit Railway Corp) took up 49 per cent of total output of the building and construction sector. Private spending ere cent, significantly higher than the 9 per cent growth of domestic demand. Exports was 20 terms of total output of the building and construction sector. Private spending erecut, significantly higher in real terms, while public expenditure grew by 26 per cent. Estimates for 1979 show the proportion moving back in favour of the private spendin

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Clothing. Nearly all product lines registered increases i exports. Slow market condi-tions in the United States were compensated for by an upturn in the EEC markets, Britain and West Germany Britain and West Germany in particular. Denim garments communed to perform reasonably well. Shirt-making and outer-garments production showed slight changes in the product pattern. In the cotton knitwear sector there was a pronounced movement towards higher quality products.

Textiles. Production in the in the first three quarters of 1979 compared with the corresponding period of 1978. Exports of textile fall rose respectively 21 and 24 number of weaving looms in-stalled in the third quarter was 7 per cent higher than a earlier. The rate of use was 96 per ceut. The number of textile yarn spindles installed dropped by 4 pe nigh at 95 per cent. Electronics. This is the

second largest industry in export earnings. A more integrated production system has developed increased manufacture of electronic components and on imports of foreign com-ponents. New growth areas have been centred around nicroprocessor based games domestic computers and high quality lcd (liquid crystal dis-

Plastics. Product lines includ ing conventional toys and dolls, plastic flowers dolls, plastic flowers and plants have been giving way to high quality creative toys and electronic devices. Small ler manufacturers were hard-est hit by materials short-ages, and sharp price increases.

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down the coast.
It is not difficult to detect note of resentment, too. The Chinese love of games chance is denied to the inhabitants of Hongkong. There, strict gambling laws forbid betting on anything but horse racing and the state lottery, and that only through the Royal Hongkong lawker Club.

But this does not serve to dom the Chinese passion. In 1978, £362m was placed in bets with the Jockey Club. nearly five times as much as was spent, on course and off, by the whole of Britain on gone partly on catering for

The territory's lovers of turf can now choose between two courses—the riginal Jockey Club track at Happy Valley, an unlikely creen and brown blob in Hongkoug's island — or the new corridor — or - the - new course at Sha Tin, a plush complex by the sea in the

It is at Sha Tin that Hongkong's legal gambling com-munity comes into its own, filling the visitor with the impression that half of the colony is trying to raise the

A large video screen shows punters any parts of the race they may have missed and relays the latest odds on any number of highly complex bets with names like cuinella

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A police case of advances and humiliations

Secrecy is an aspect of An official review of the tion syndicates, 18 of them was viewed with suspicion, ing place it will at many sides of Chinese life Royal Hongkong Police Force rooted in the police force almost as a subversive orga- a lubricant. So, fire but it is not taken lightly notes that the 1970s were one With the investigative heat dization; but there is now a the ICAC will be given but it for a long rime. in gambling an activity en of the most momentous joyed with only slightly less decades in the force's 137ostentation than eating out year history. It talks of That, more than anything advances and "giant strides" explains the success of in various areas. But it does Macao, nine square miles of not say that the 1970s were territory ostensibly under wounding as well as momense administration, tous; titat they were marked but in fact run totally by by corruption, shame, shat-businessmen answerable to tered public confidence and an angry and unruly demon-stration by police officers amounting almost to a riot.

There, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, Hongkong gamblers visit the golden roulette wheels of the Lisboa Hotel, and play fan-tan, a by guessing the number of buttons left in a heap by the croupier, or hi lo, a complex dice game.

Westerners would be well advised to stick to roulette. The Chinese games generally in the case of fan-tan by as much as 10 per cent com-pared with about 1:35 for

their mounts in the ring can never over-estimate.

The Chinese may buy and, in many cases, ride their own animals, but the training shill is solidly British. One of the more successful trainers is Mr Gordon Smyth, who won the 1966 Derby with Charlottown and now with Char

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amounting almost to a riot.

The police can hardly be blamed for emphasizing the positive and trying to place the bad events firmly behind them. They have an extraordinary task in an extraordinary place and they want to get on with the job.

Moreover, they have con-Moreover, they have considerable achievements to the public was happy with siderable achievements to the public was happy with the work of the ICAC, because it had seen that the because it had seen that the sold anti-corruption bureau narcotics rings: the large run by the police had been decreased to the the factor on the force. But we have to once they have grown decreased to the force and the sort of the future of the possible interesting to the factor of the future of the possible interesting that the seen of the future of the possible interesting that the sort of the future of the possible interesting that the sort of the future of the possible interesting that it was created to do not the force. But we have to once they have grown are difficult for the sort of the future of the possible interesting the po

drug-importing syndicates ineffective. have been smashed, and the barons have either fled or are in fail. The crime rate has been held in check—and any police officer would any police officer would admire Hongkong's 57 per the strong of the past five the public, policemen are bound in this should? However, the club is not in 1978.

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RS THATCHER'S DISSIDENTS

lways difficult to assess Parliament was to exercise moral is no obligation upon citizens to ct weight to be attached pressure upon the sportsmen. pority vote in the House mons when much of the has taken the form of ons. A large majority of xing on Monday evening ed the Government's call att the Olympic Games in , but those who took this numbered slightly under : whole House. If therewere to assume that all who abstained for one of another were in fact rs, then it would follow Government had failed n the ringing endorsehad sought. The most side conclusion, though, me some way between he size of the majority value and making the naive judgment that all action. ons were an expression sition, on an occasion ie outcome was not in The Government has backing for its stand strong enough to make rting authorities recogif they persist in attend-

ames they will be acting to the considered r of the Commons. thletes will inevitably i account, however, that eral public appears to very different attitude Government and Parliawe public opinion polls iwn a large majority in f Britain attending the nd one of the polls even that a majority believe leres should not feel by a resolution of the f Commons. One must course, confer upon polls the same authority in Parliament. We have become a plebiscitary ry; and if we had, the es would be a little more ed than the snap answers a pollster. None the less, ossible to leave the evithe polls out of account ccasion when the prinrpose of the vote in

Why has the general public reacted so differently from the Government and Parliament? The first answer must be the depressing one that for many people Afghanistan appears as a small, far-off country of too little direct consequence to Britain to justify the abandonment of our accustomed activities, especially when these activities are as popular as the Olympic Games. This dulled reaction should not he mistaken for approval of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. The Government is unquestionably speaking for the British people in condemning the Soviet action, but there is a certain sleepy public response in purthat condemnation into

Secondly, there is a reluctance to entwine sport with politics. It is significant that the polls also reveal strong opposition to boycotting sporting encounters with South Africa. This judg-ment is often combined with a belief, which is not justified by the facts, that sporting boycotts can never be an effective political weapon. They have induced various changes in South African practice, even though these have not gone by any means far enough; and a successful boy-cott of the Moscow Olympics would beyond doubt inflict an international humiliation upon the Soviet Union which would reinforce the earlier condemnation in the United Nations-in addition to embarrassing Soviet leaders before their own public at home. Yet many British people have an instinctive dis-

like of all sports boycotts. They have an equally instinctive dislike of being pushed around by their own Government. This is an attitude with which one is bound to sympathize, even when one believes that the Government is in the right. In a free country, it is very reasonably maintained, there

take account of expressions of opinion in Parliament unless Parliament itself decides to give those opinions legislative force. Opinion certainly seems to have hardened against the Government since the announcement of restrictions upon civil servants and other public employees attending the Olympics. There is resentment against what is believed to be an unacceptable degree of official arm-twisting.

What conclusion then should be drawn? Certainly not that the Government was wrong to advocate a boycott of the Olympics in the first place. That decision was, and remains. abundantly justified. The weak-ness has been in failure to convince the public of its justifica-To some extent, that failure is due to inadequate gifts of persuasion possessed by the Government, and indeed by newspapers and others who agreed with its stand. But there is a deeper problem than that. This episode points to the difficulty of conducting an effective foreign policy in a democracy.

One of the arts of foreign policy is to relate one problem to another, one development in one country to the wider international scene. The recognition of these indirect linkages is the essence of foreign policy. But it requires a more subtle awareness of the nuances of inter-national affairs than most people, who have enough to cope with living their own lives, have the time or the inclination to acquire. Only when a threat is obvious do they respond. Most people in Britain deplore the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan as an act of aggression. They see that it presents some kind of threat to the free world, but they do not see with much precision what that threat is or its urgency. If they did they would willingly forgo more than the Olympics

R TRADE UNION HEADS AGAIN?

naralysis is falling over n-out pay talks at British The negotiators might ven for beginning to whether they will be 1 this year's bargaining xt year's is due. The. workers accept with meek resig-

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weeks ago the unions' rejection of the offer still on the table today was endorsed by three out of every five workers voting in a ballot (not quite half the total of those eligible to vote). But since then the company's trading position has been shown to be even worse than had been supuaring back to last been called for, and the unions

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the workforce as a fait accompli. The sooner the improved working practices go into effect, the sooner they will begin to contribute to the company's rescue. The management have done well in recent months by appealing, in effect, straight to the workers over the heads of their union officials, about the Edwardes plan and about Mr Derek Robinson. Provocative as the suggestion was, it was feebly parried by the unions with the threat that they threatened no strike bur wouldn't answer for the shop-

But it is not clear that BL's latest notion is as well-based as

the other two proved to be. If it tries to renegotiate individual contracts (some 80,000 employees are involved), a large or small minority will undoubtedly resist. If it proceeds by declaring that employees who continue to come to work will be deemed to have tacitly accepted the new regime, confusion and unnecessary ill-will seem certain to ensue. There is a possibility of "constructive dismissal" claims before industrial tribunals (the company is already involved in one such case, in comparable circumstances). The company would be quite likely to end up having paid the increases, back pay and all, without securing the productivity gains.

In a situation where great tensions exist, the management might do best to contain its impatience a little longer. As for the union negotiators, that sense of imminent danger which inhibits them from calling a strike should also impress on them the urgency of reaching a settlement that many of their followers are ready to accept, and that would strengthen the competitive position of the enterprise they all depend on.

IES TOWARDS THE HOMELESS

ent spare of court bearing on a council's dusc the homeless coin-Bertaken by the Depart the Environment intoings of the Housing s Persons) Act, 1977. that Act a local bas the duty to provide dation for homeless n priority categories, families with children nant women. That duty, is only absolute where lessness has been unin-In such cases, the nust provide permanent dation. Where, however, icil adjudges that the is made itself homeless, ally, the duty extends providing temporary dation, and to giving d assistance. Where the and unintentional ness has formed the

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duty under the Act, by adopting an unduly strict definition of unintentionality. Many boroughs, for their part, complain that their duty to house the homeless, who are often not from the area at all, is not only making severe demands on public money, but is hampering efforts to accommodate those residents of the borough who may have been on a waiting list for years. The issue is complicated by the existence, under another Act, of a duty on a local authority to promote the welfare of children and avoid, if possible, the need to take them into care. What then does the council do when stopping aid to an intentionally homeless family has the effect of breaking up the family and causing the children to be taken into care-also of

course at public expense? Councils with ports of entry in their area argue that they should be exempted from the full rigours of the Act. On the face of it, it seems unfair that Hillingdon, say, should have the responations involved with sibility for housing destitute hose in need claim that families arriving at Heathrow ncils are failing in their without accommodation; and

even if most of them would be classed as intentionally homeless, and thus entitled only to temporary help with housing, the burden on the borough falls disproportionately. The case for special treatment has not been made out. Many other boroughs, without a port of entry, can claim to bear an unfair burden, particularly in London and the conurbations.

The 1977 Act sought to ensure

that the need of distressed families whose lack of accommodation was not of their own making was mer, without, however, opening the door to exploitation by those who saw the self-infliction of homelessness as a way of jumping the housing queue. It is inevitable that decisions have had to be taken which have seemed harsh to the family in need, and that decisions going the other way have angered local residents of the borough. The objective of the 1977 Act is laudable. Whether it has achieved a fair balance between competing deserving interests should be made clear when the result of the departmental review becomes

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veers and that educational estab-lishments for all age levels in Inner London are located to serve catchment areas and have no regard to the artificiality of borough

boundaries. In addition a financial appraisal revealed that a consequence of transferring the education function from ILEA to the inner boroughs would be in the vast majority of cases to superimpose on them an insupportable rate burden—and one moreover which rate equalisation would be quite incapable of counter-

actius. I was all too aware of the deprivation and related problems (ethnic and otherwise) of the area.

My prime consideration was the welfare and educational future of the children, particularly in view of npressed by the fact that the unsettling effects upon pupils ndon has had a single of the teacher problems of the past service for well over 100 decade and of the fact that it is

going to be difficult enough in the years shead for Inner London to conduct the management of contraction in an era of falling school

known.

These are some of the more significant factors which persuaded me to recommend that whilst ILEA should be replaced by a statutory joint committee of more relevant representation, Inner London's educational service should remain stable and undisturbed.

In short it was not the service but the governing authority (ILEA) where I considered substantial changes were needed and I recommended accordingly. Yours etc.

FRANK MARSHALL, The Glebe House, Holthy. nr. York, North Yorkshire,

The state of the state of the state of LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Welsh arsonists and the BBC

From Mr D. A. Lundie
Sir, If the letter from Sir Michael
Swann (March 15) is to be taken at its face value, it is clear that the nation has a far more serious problem on its hands than arson in Wales. The Chairman of the BBC appears to be unaware of the power and influence of the medium under his control.

With great respect to you, Sir, and your fellow newspaper scribes, there is no comparison between the penetration into contemporary public affairs of the written word and that of television, and greater power should be used with greater, not equal, circumspection.

Sir Michael writes lengthy rebuttals of accusations that have not been made, but totally ignores or misses the main point. The parti-cular problems of Wales are of course a very proper subject for public inquiry and debate, but to ceutre that discussion upon outrageous acts of violence is dangerously to misplace the emphasis. It may also encourage their repetition—not so much by your readers, as Sir Michael says, as by the original perpenditors. as by the original perpetrators.

When improper, and especially when violent means are used to attract attention to a legitimate concern, it is surely the responsibility of those in control of the prime communications medium to concentrate on the issues rather than on the distraction. I cannot believe that Sir Michael Swann wants the means to justify the end in broadcasting as the arsonists presumably do in seek-ing social justice, but that is what his letter seems to say. Yours faithfully,

D. A. LUNDIE, 62a The Ridgeway, Kenton, Middlesex March 17.

From Mr Keith Best, MP for Anglesey (Conservative) Sir, By alluding to both television and the press (March 15) Sir Michael Swann seems to fail to appreciate the significantly different effect upon the public that these two media have. Irrespective of the much wider coverage of television there is the feeling of greater con-tact with a person who makes a statement on television, compared with one who utters it through the pages of the press.

To give so much space on the Nationwide programme about arson in Wales to the ramblings of a criminal who was sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment for bomb outrages is to give unwarranted publicity to an unlawful activity and cannot be excused as merely news. I am surprised at Sir Michael's false reasoning in trying to justify this as telling the public "of what is going on in Wales".

I found the programme much less offensive than a previous newspaper report had indicated it would be. ret filming a group of hooligans in a pub passing around badges carry-ing the slogan. "Strike a light for Wales" is neither news of great note nor analytical. If it conveys the impression that these people are responsible for the outbreaks of the impression is given that their movement is widespread it may be misleading and alarmist.

Either way, it falls short of the responsible attitude towards programme presentation which the public have the right to expect of Yours faithfully, KEITH BEST. House of Commons.

Worthy heritage From Mr B. Day

March 17.

Sir, Your correspondent Charles Sir, Your correspondent Charles McKean (March 4) chastises the "oil barons" for failing to leave a worthy built heritage for future generations. Yet the architects he recommends by name have often been responsible for buildings shamefully profligate of energy. Despite the faitering efforts of the Royal Institute of British Architects and a number of honourable exceptions the profession has still not accepted its undoubted duty to ing accepted its undoubted duty to lead building design into an age of energy famine, and to make the thermal performance of buildings one of its major concerns.

Fashionable architects continue to be obsessed with appearances, distracting the mass of the profession from a proper concern for the function and economy of the build-ings they create. It is high time that architects set about leaving a worthy heritage of natural resources-in the ground. Yours faithfully. BRIAN DAY, Department of Architecture, University of Bristol, 25 Great George Street.

Arts and the patron

Bristol. March 6.

From Mr J. Faulkner Sir, Arthur Crook (March 8) makes a fair point that the taxpayer not the Arts Council is the patron of the artist. He does, however, then fall into three errors. First, the staff of the Arts Council are not a race apart but are themselves taxpavers, and in no way relieved of the dayto-day concerns which are the lot of the taxpayer. Second, decisions of the Arts Council do not depend on the individual tastes of its directors but on a process of consulta-

tion and assessment. Finally, patronage is not exclufinancial relationship. Advice and encouragement to artists is a major part of the job of those who work for the council. Valuable though this process can be, we are now frequently placed in the position of being able to offer only advice and encouragement when artists have brought their work to a point at which public subsidy is required to make it accessible to the body of taxpayers.

Yours faithfully, JOHN FAULKNER. Drama Director, The Arts Council of Great Britain, 105 Piccadilly, W1. March 14.

Averting the perils of nuclear warfare

of the Netherlands and to spend

some small fraction of our record

military budget on research into non-military defence systems.

Present policies are certainly not

least take alternative ideas

From Lieutenant-General Sir John

Sir, Since you published my letter on March 3, regarding an approach to Russia on nuclear disarmament,

I have been inundated with letters, which I cannot hope to answer

Union with one simple statement, namely: that nuclear war would result in the mutual extermination of the human race. Let us then all

agree to abandon all nuclear weapons.

If such an agreement could be reached, it might slowly reduce mistrust and fear, resulting in the gradual growth of confidence and the slow relaxation of propaganda

One single simple proposal, obviously in the interest of everyone, would be more likely to

Sir, I feel bound to ask you to pub-

lish two comments on Professor Farmer's letter (March 15) on the

that a man or nation fights when

and subversion.

J. B. GLUEB, Westwood St Dunstan, Mayfield,

From Mr W. H. Hankin

and extermination.

Yours faithfully,

W. H. ANKIN. 27 Adelaide Square,

Windsor.

succeed.

seriously.
Yours faithfully,

BRUCE KENT,

Glubb

General Secretary.

From Dr W. A. Wooster Sir, Professor Farmer has well expressed the anxieties of many people concerning nuclear weapons (March 15). Of course the whole world could be made uninhabitable and all living animals could be killed if the nuclear war he fears took place. Our object must there-fore be to ensure that it does not take place. For the past three decades the balance between opposing sides has been maintained and there has been no nuclear war. The need to maintain this balance is what should concern us all.

Science and its applications are advancing so rapidly that within a few years we could find that oil and coal were no longer required, because atomic fusion had been brought under control. It could also be that the way in which computers and detector systems operate would ensure that any projectile would be exploded on the territory from which it was fired. The development of lasers might make it possible for aeroplanes and satellites to be destroyed without firing a shot. An important element in prevent-ing war is to make an adversary

realise how much knowledge and power we possess. The development of science and technology is an essential part of the maintenance of our standards of human values. We could as easily forbid people to use fire as we can banish nuclear energy. Our future depends on developing all our skills and improving our standards of behaviour. Yours faithfully,

W. A. WOOSTER, 339 Cherry Hinton Road, Cambridge. March 16.

From Monsignor Bruce Kent Sir, Professor Farmer has intro-duced a welcome new perspective into the usual debate about defence, military expenditure and security in this age of nuclear overkill.

In the exploration of the deterrent effect of mobilized planned civilian disruption, pacifists and non-paci-fists, unilateralists and multilateral-ists, the pro and anti-Nato lobby,

can and ought to work together.

There is now a substantial literature on the subject of civilian resistance, some of it inspired by a philosophy of non-violence and some with a very pragmatic background. The late Lord King-Hall. Dr Gene Sharp, of Harvard University, and General de la Bollardière are only a few of those who have are only a few of those who have stimulated thinking on this subject. We have had a recent and painful example of such civilian obstruction in the north of Ireland. The Ulster strike of 1974, sectarian and far from non-violent, nevertheless made it impossible for the British Army to carry out the will of the Westminster Parliament and, as we know to our cost, the power-sharing executive collapsed. as a consequence

No one is suggesting that Pro-fessor Farmer is offering all the answers. But it makes good sense to follow the lead of the Government.

Europe and Palestinians From Mrs N. Silkin

Sir, Your leading article (March 11) implies that European recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization now depends upon the latter giving simultaneous recogni-tion of Israel's right to exist. Since the Baghdad Conference of

1978 (which opted for a peaceful overall settlement) PLO leaders have frequently intimated that they would be prepared to grant this recognition as part of such a just settlement, in which Palestinian national rights to self-determination and independence in now Israelioccupied territories were also recog-

nised and granted.

But Israeli leaders have consistently and categorically stated that they will never in any circumstances recognise either the PLO or the right of the Palestinians to an independent state. How, therefore, can the latter be expected to give advance and entirely unilateral recognition to Israel, a state which, moreover, pursues the expropriation

and settlement of Arab land? Sarely EEC recognition of the PLO would help to redress the balance and put some pressure onboth Israel and the Palestinians to come to mutual recognition? Yours faithfully,

N. SILKIN, 28 Woodfield Lane, Ashtead, Ѕиттеу. March 12.

From Mr S. 1. Levenberg Sir, Your editorial of today's date on "Europe and the Palestinians" implies that there is no change in the EEC and British policy towards Israel's interests; it is highly mis-leading, and not worthy of the high

standards of journalism expected of your newspaper. The fact remains that on March 1, her Majesty's Government's representative voted in the Security

From Sir Hugh Smiley

invited a number of officers from the 2nd Battalion.

ordered to attend. In 1829, as a child of three, on a walk in Windsor Park, Higginson was patted on the head by King George IV, who was born in 1762. I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

lvalis. Bentworth. Alton. Hampshire.

Sir, In 1940 a German refugee told me that he hoped for quick naturalization as his father

no reference to the Egyptian Israeli Treaty; to the present talks on autonomy for the Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza; to the need of direct negotiations between the parties concerned. The resolution, further contains an unqualified demand to the Government and people of Israel to dismande the existing settlements. It mentions Jerusalem as "occupied Arab ter-ritory". This one-sided Security Council motion doesn't require anything from the rejectionists' front or the Palestine Liberarion Organization, whose Covenant clearlimplies the elimination of Israela member of the United Nations.

Your editorial quotes Mr Douglas

Hard, Minister of State at the For-eign Office, as saying that "no one should doubt that the PLO will have to be involved in the peace process.". But you don't mention whether he said anything about the conditions which the British Government put to Mr Arafat in view of his terrorist record and close co-operation with the Soviet Union in military and political matters. The present semantics—used by EEC countries about "self-determination" and the need to "supplement to the unanimously adopted British-sponsored Resolution 242, accepted by Egypt, Israel, Syria and Jordan—hide their supposed interests and intentions.

While all historical parallels must be qualified, the present attitude towards Israel on behalf of Europe towards is taken on behalf of Europe—the graveyard of millions of Jews—reminds me too vividly of the British-French blundering policy—in the late thirties—about "self-determination" for the Sudeten-Deutsche which led to the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia—a small democratic state—and to the small democratic state—and to the world catastrophe which followed. Yours faithfully,

S. I. LEVENBERG. lewish Agency for Israel, Rex House, 4/12 Regent Street, SW1. March 11.

Hand to hand

Sir, in 1926 General Sir George Rigginson, who was Adjutant of the 3rd Battalion Grenadier Guards dur-ing the Crimean War, and who is the mounted figure in Lady Butler's painting. The Roll Call, celebrated his hundredth birthday with a party at his house at Marlow, to which he

There were no volunteers from the more senior officers, so the ensigns, myself among them, were

HUGH SMILEY,

From Mr F. Uhlman

fought against Napoleon in the battle of Waterloo When I

expressed doubts and said that it must have been his grandfather he pointed out that his father had been a drummer boy aged 15 at the battle, had been married for a second time in 1867 and that he. his son, was only 73 years old. Yours truly.

FRED UHLMAN. 47 Downshire Hill, NW3. March 15.

Young riders From Mr Geoffrey Howard Minter

Streatley House,

Streatley,

Berkshire.

Sir. The way to reduce the accident rate for learner motor cyclists (report, March 12) is to reduce their number. The best way to reduce their number is not to allow them licences to ride motor cycles at an earlier age than to drive motor cars. It is largely pride in attaining the adult status of a driver and the desire to become mobile that encourages the 16-year-olds to ride motor cycles, not the love of motor cycles per se. Yours faithfully.

GEOFFREY HOWARD MINIER.

Future of the fishing industry

From Sir Andrew Gilchrist Sir, May I comment on the Government's decision to provide the sum of £3m for the benefit of the British achieving security nationally or internationally. At the best of times, fishing industry?

in the military framework, only one "side" can win. Lord Mountbatten makes it quite clear that in the future war we will all lose.

Common sense requires that we The days when the said industry The days when the saw industry was powerful enough to drive the Government of the day into a futile and un-winnable cod war with Iceland are over. In granting the present pairry sum, the Government must have had regard to the diminished political clour of the industry. It should restree have considered the It should rather have considered the needs of the situation from a Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, 29 Great James Street, WC1. March 18.

national standpoint. The plan for sending fishermen off on cruises to the Atlantic to look for new fish and new grounds is unnecessary. The resource has been proved, and by government agencies. The question now is one of exploitation. We cannot hope to induce the fishermen to make the necessary switch to new grounds and new species, and to take as individuals the indubitable risks involved, if all we can offer is exhortation and fish. for new fish and new grounds is we can offer is exhortation and £3m.

individually. After studying these letters, I feel that perhaps I was wrong to suggest the abandonment of propaganda, before a relationship of trust has been created. I write in the firm conviction that to allow the British fishing industry to sink, to accept an increasing or even total dependence on foreign vessels for our fish consumption, is a disastrous policy. What are we Perhaps it would be best to begin with one simple proposal, namely: that a nuclear war would result in the extermination of human life in going to export to pay for the fish? Motor cars? Steel? the extermination of human lite in Russia, Europe (east and west) and North America—and possibly the extinction of life on earth.

I would beg the British government to open talks with the USA and all Nato powers to persuade them all to approach the Soviet No doubt someone will say: "Do

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No doubt someone will say: "Do let us wait until we get a new Common Market regime—then our ships will be able to sail out into the North Sea from Hull and Grimsby as in the old days." No: this is not merely a policy of delay, it is a policy of deceit. The ships we have are rusting, and the men too. The exploitation of the new and identified resource is a national interest and requires a national effort. May I suggest a comparison with the position of the British National Oil Corporation in respect of North Sea oil? Direct imitation is not the way; what is wanted is a proportionate effort and commitment in the initial organisation, guidance and finencing of a largescale operation designed to reestab-lish on a profitable basis an essential

section of the economy-and of the national way of life. Yours faithfully, ANDREW GILCHRIST, Arthur's Crag, Hazelbank, By Lanark. March 15.

Moment of impact

peril of nuclear warfare. First, my understanding of war is From Mr J. H. Huizings Sir. Must we once egain silently suffer the misery inflicted by strikes deliberately timed—like the one death, or even suicide, is preferable to a certain alternative of slavery Secondly, whilst not belittling the gallant passive resistance of occupied Norway, the Germans left Norway because the Allies were victorious in the field. relating the Easter weekend by the air traffic controllers—so as to spoil our holidays? Can it really be maintained that, without such timing, the right to withhold one's labour, rightly held sacred, cannot be effectively exercised? Does ruining people's holidays really add all that much to the strikers' bargaining strength? And even if it does is the advantage to pained. does, is the advantage so gained by the few not out of all proportion Council for a resolution which made to the price exacted from the many? One would have thought that Easter was hardly the time for such a display of ruthless egoism. And one would hope that so brave a lady, as Mrs Thatcher would not shrink-from trying to devise ways and means of protecting us against it. Yours faithfully.

J. H. HUIZINGA, Lennox Gardens Mews, 5W1. March 13.

Closed doors

From Mrs S. Alexander

Sir, The Church of the Ascension, on the borders of Lewisham and Greenwich, a fine 18th century edifice, keeps its door open twenty-four hours a day and there is always a light burning in the chancel. The bevelled panels of the door have been removed and heavy glass substituted, so that the light is always visible. The thurch is used by a few men sleening rought, some of them regular customers.

One man "lived" in the church for nearly seven years and was adopted by the congregation and finally installed in a council flat. Occasionally one of them zoes across the street for a cup of coffee from the vicar. Canon Paul Oestreicher or his wife. There has been very little vandalism, almost no fouling and only some occasional cleaning up. The congregation and the vicar are united in feeling that God's house should never he closed to anyone, and it has worked. Yours sincerely, STELLA ALEXANDER, 10a Shooters Hill Road, Blackheath, SE3.

Irish voting right

March 14.

From Mr R. A. Meredith Sir, Your report (March 17) that Mr Edward Gardner, QC. MP, for South Fylde, thinks it an "anomaly" that Irish people have a right to vote here moves me to wonder angrily whether he also thinks it an "anomaly" that many Irish citizens have and still do serve in our Armed Forces and some have even had the temerity to lose their live: in that service. Yours faithfully. RALPH A. MEREDITH,

Vicious circle?

3 Sudeley Street, N1.

From Mr G. D. R. Davies Sir. I am worried by David Wood's reference, in his article about the European Parliament (March 17), to something called a "hemicycle". By analogy with bicycle and unicycle. I suppose a hemicycle to be velocipede with half a wheel. One hears rumours that the European Parliament is a shade out of touch with practicalities, but I had no idea they were pursuing such a chimaera as this. Are they also reviving the well-known project for extracting moonbeams from cucumbers? Yours faithfully,

G. D. R. DAVIES, 26 Orchard Rise, Groombridge. Tunbridze Wells. March 17.



COURT CIRCULAR

Nicholson was in attenuance.

CLARENCE HOUSE

March 18: Queen Elizabeth The
Queen Mother this afternoon
received the Presidents of Queen
Mary's London Needlework Guild
at St James's Palace on the occasion of the Guild's Annual
General Meeting.

Mrs Patrick Campbell Preston
was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
March 18: The Queen held an
Investiture at Buckingham Palace
this morning.
Captain Chandrabahadur Rai
and Captain Yambahadur Khan
(The Queen's Gurkha Orderly
Officers) had the honour of being received by Her Majesty when The Queen invested them with the Insignia of Members of the Royal Victorian Order (Fifth Class). The Lord Soames (Governor of Southern Rhodesia) had an audience of The Queen this

atternoon.

The Right Hon Margaret
Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and
First Lord of the Treasury) had
an audience of Her Majesty this

evening.

The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Salford Railway Station in the Royal Train this morning and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenaut for Greater Man-chester (Sir William Downward). His Royal Highness, 25 Chancellor, visited the University of Salford and, having been received by the Pro-Chancellor (Mr T. Lunt) and the Vice-Chancellor Lunt) and the Vice-Charcellor (Professor J. H. Horlock), attended the Annual Court

Meeting.
The Duke of Edinburgh this
afternoon visited Moss Side People's Centre.

Afterwards His Royal Highness toured the factories of Weather-seal Windows Ltd (Chairman, Mr J. Smith).
The Duke of Edinburgh, as Patron and Trustee, this evening attended a Reception for Variety

Duke will attend Coburg seminar on Victorian age

The Duke of Gloucester will represent the Duke of Edinburgh at a two-day seminar in May to be held in Coburg on "Prince Albert and the Victorian Age" at which speakers will include Lord Briggs, Lord Blake. Sir Robin Mackworth-Young, Professor Jacques Willequet and Professor Kurt Kluxen.

The seminar will meet in the magnificent Riesensaal of the Ehranburg, the former ducal Ehranburg, the former ducal palace in Coburg, and the Duke will plant two trees in memory of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort in the park of Rosenau castle, Prince Albert's birthplace. While the short-term aim of the seminar is to establish the import-

seminar is to establish the import-ance of Prince Albert in the Vic-torian cra, the long-term objects are to endow a Prince Albert burs-ary, to foster Anglo-German re-search on the Prince Consort and his times, as well as to found an Institute for Victorian Studies in Coburs

Rosenau castle has remained sadly neglected for years, having previously served as an old people's home. But the Bavarian people's nome. But the Bavarian state has agreed to rustore it to its former state of modest ducal Gemütlichkeit which so endeared itself to Albert, who on his deathbed imagined he beard the birds singing in the park, as in his childhood.

Christening

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Neil Balfour was christened Consuelo Lily by Cardinal Hume Archbishop of Westminster Io Westminster Cathedral on Tuesday, March 18. The godparents are King Luan Carlos of State (for King Juan Carlos of Spain (for whom Archibald Berens stood proxy), the Marquess of Harting-ton, Mrs Rupert Hambro and Mrs

St Paul's Girls' School

The following awards were announced to take effect from September. 1980. First year awards: Katie Driver (Kenslagton High Schoot Junior School), Naomi Earl (St Paul's Cirls' Proportory School) Packs School), Naomi Earl (St Paul's Girls' Preparatory School), Rachel Foord (Kensington High School Junior School), Annabel Warburg (Norland Place School), Catherine Wolfe (Kensington High School Junior School).

First year music award: Fiona D'Souza (Our Lady of Grace Junior School, NW2).

Honorary first year music award:

Honorary first year music award : Elizabeth Rowe (St Paul's Girls' Preparatory School and Beacon House School).

Abbey tribute to George Ellot

A memorial to George Eliot is to be unveiled in Westminster Abbey on June 21 by her biographer, Dr Gordon S. Haight, Professor Emeritus of English Literature at Yale University, Admirers all over the world responded to the appeal the world responded to the appeal for funds for a memorial stone, made by the George Eliot Fellow-ship in this, the centenary year of her death.

Tickets for the event may be

obtained from Mrs K. M. Adams, Secretary of the Fellowship, 71, Stepping Stones Road, Coventry, CV3 81T, who would appreciate a stamped, addressed envelope.

Today's engagements

The Queen visit: London House for Overseas Graduates on its golden jubilee, Mecklenburgh Square, 3. Square, 3.

The Duke of Edinburgh visits
RAF Linton-on-Ouse, 10.20;
later, as president of the Maritime Trust, visits HMS Warrior,
Hartlepool, 3.30.

The Prince of Wales visits Aorth

The Prince of Wales visits dairy trade federation creamery. North Tawton, Devon, 10: later, visits Hinkley Point B nuclear power station, near Bridgwater, Somerset, 12.45.

Princess Anne, patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, attends buffer luncheon to

tion, attends buffet luncheon to tion, attends buttet tuncheon to receive silver jubilee saddle from the Saddlers' Company, Saddlers Hall, Gutter Lane, 1; as president of the Save the Children Fund, meets the drivers of the Stop Polio Expedition, Jebb House, 157 Clapham Road.

3: attends fashion show and dinner, Rainbow Room, Derry Street, 8.30.

Exhibitions: Sarah, Duchess of Mariborough, British Library Galleries, Great Russell Street. 10-5; The Vikings, Bridsh Museum, 10-5; Horia Bernia, Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, 11-11; Alan Hughes and Ian Welsh, Concourse gallery, 35 Marylebone Road, 8.30-8.30.

Lectures: Putting the paper 10 Marylebone Road, 8:30-8:30.
Lectures: Putting the paper to bed, Mr W. Moth, Doncaster Museum and Art Gallery. Chequer Road, Doncaster, 1.45; The saga sites of Iceland, Magnus Magnusson, Royal Scottish Museum lecture theatte, Lothian Street, Ediuburgh, 7:30; A world conservation stratezy. A world conservation strategy, Dr Lee M. Talbot, Royal College of Art, John Adam Street. 2.30: Art and culture in Europe: The gentleman of the Grand Tour, Elizabeth Murdoch, V and A Museum, 1.15.

3: attends fashion show and

Talks: Iron age Europe: potters and bronzesmiths, David Williams, 11:30; Japan in the Edoperiod, Victor Harris, 1:15. British Museum; A time and a place: Canterbury 1390, Kenneth Whitehorn, National Gallery, 1; Renewable energy resources, Dr Geoffrey Long, and Future fuels and feedstock for industry, Dr Barbara Halnes, North London Polyrechnic, Holloway, 6:30.

Walks: Crime and punishment: Simister London, meet St Paul's Underground, 7:30; Haunted ghost trail in the dark, meet Savoy Hotel, 7:30.

Lunchtime music: Martin Robinson, cello, St Olave, 1:05; Organ recital, Timothy Collins, St Bride's, 1:15; Juliet Chaplin, plano, St Martin-within-Ludgate, 1:15.

Memorial service: Sir Patrick Hancock, Crypt chapel, St Paul's cathedral, noon.

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higher percentage of the television receivers in Britain would be tuned to racing events than in the United States. The Derby was televised before 1939 but has not been televised since the war. It is understood that the war, the REC

Forthcoming . marriages

Club Supporters of His Royal Highness's Award Scheme at the

Highness's Award Scheme at the Piccadilly Hotel, Manchester.

The Duke of Edinburgh attended the Amnual Dinner of the Manchester Branch of the British Institute of Mamgement (President, Mr J. D. Paybody) at Manchester Town Hall and was received upon arrival by the Lord Mayor of Manchester (Councillor G. Fitzsimons).

Wing Commander Antony Nicholson was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE March 18: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon left Heath-

in attendance.

row Airport. London, this after-noon in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight to visit The Royal Highland Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own

Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment) and XVth/XlXth The King's Royal Hussars, of which Regiments Her Royal Highness is Colonel-in-Chief, in Germany.

The Hon Mrs Wills and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance.

in attendance.
YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
March 18: The Duke and Duchess
of Kent this evening attended a
concert in aid of Birthright in the
Nuffield Ball, London, NW1.
Lieumant-Commander Richard
Buckley, RN, and Miss Carola
Godman Irvine were in attendance.

The Rev Sir Herbert Andrew,

The Rev Sir Herbert Andrew, 70; Lord Baker, 79; Lord Glenkinglas, 67; Sir Hildreth Glyn-Jones, 85; Miss Elizabeth Macouchy, 73; Sir Peter Masefield, 66; Mr Robinson, 69; Sir Leonard Scopes, 68; Mr Norman Yardley, 65.

Man.

A reception was held at Durham castle and the honeymoon will be

The marriage took place in London on March 14, 1980, of Mr Michael Franks and Mrs Nicola Stewart

Buthdays today

Marriages

spent abroad.

and Mrs N. S. Heath

The Hon Lucy Lyttelton and Mr M. N. Kemp-Gee

The engagement is announced between Mark, younger son of Mr and Mrs Bernard Kemp-Gee, of 16 Airlie Gardens, London, W8, and Lucy, twin daughter of the late Viscount Cobbam, KG, and Elizabeth, Viscountess Cobbam of S. Marine Paceda Budlally Salver. 8 Marine Parade, Budleigh Salterton, Devon-

Mr P. B. Askew and Miss L. J. Henderson The engagement is announced between Paul Benedict, son of the Rev Canon and Mrs Askew, of Salisbury, Wilts, and Lucy Jess, daughter of Sir Peter and Lady Henderson, of London SW7.

and Miss N. J. C. Francis
The engagement is announced
between David Alexander, younger
son of Mr James R. Lubbock and
the late Mrs Patricia Lubbock, of The White Cottage, Farley Green. Surrey, and Nicola Jane Caroline, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Francis, of Ashfield House Midhurst, West Sussex.

Mr J. J. Espir and Miss J. L. Hart and Miss J. L. Hart
The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Dr and Mrs Michael Espir, of Fairway, Weymouth Walk. Stanmore, Middlesex, and Joanne, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Jerry Harl, of 9 Moncorvo Close, Knightsbridge, SW7.

Mr M. E. Green and Miss S. F. Prunier The engagement is arrounced between Martyn Edward, elder son of Mr and Mrs P. S. Green, of Newport, Gwent, and Susan Fran-ces, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D. J. Prunier, of Uphill, Weston-super-Mare.

Mr C. R. Harris and Miss S. M. Jarvis The engagement is announced between Charles, youngest son of Mr and Mrs E. Rhodri Harris. of Murton, Swansea, and Suzi. only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. R. Jarvis, of Loudwater, Hert-Mattiages
Mr P. Naylor Leyland
and Lady Isabella Lambton
The marriage took place yesterday
in Durham cathedral between Mr
Philip Naylor Leyland, son of
Sir Vivyan Naylor Leyland and
of the Hon Mrs Hastings, and
Lady Isabella Lambton, daugiter
of Lord and Lady Lambton. The
Dean of Durham officiated assisted
by Canon W. W. Tymms.

The bride, who was given in
marriage by her father, wore a
gown of white slipper sain and a
silk tulle vell held in place by a
garland of white roses and she fordsbire.

Mr A. Legge and Miss C. E. Anderson Tyrer and Miss C. E. Anderson Tyrer
The engagement is announced between Anthony, younger son of
Mr H. J. G. Legge, of London,
NW6, and of Mrs J. Legge, of
London, W11, and Christine
Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and
Mrs A. Anderson Tyrer, of Well
House, Horney Common, Uckfield, Sussex.

silk tritle veri field in place by a garland of white roses and she carried a single rose. Adam Kegwick, Viscount Lumley, Ned Naylor Leyland, Claud Musker, Cleone Naylor Leyland, Honey and Rose Bowdry, Flora Davidson and Natalie Campbell attended ber. The Hon Gerard Noel was best Mr D. J. W. Ridler and Miss S. de Jager The engagement is announced between David John Whitaker, younger son of the late Mr A. W. Ridler and Mrs Ridler, of Chelsca, London, and Shirley, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs S. de Jager. Box 2820, Johannesburg.

Mr T. A. E. Sopwith and Miss J. A. Chope

The engagement is announced between Thomas, son of the late Wing Commander E. M. Sopwith and of Mrs Sopwith, of Lythan, Lancashire, and Jacqueline, younger daughter of Judge and Mrs Robert Chope, of Carclew House, Truro, Cornwall.



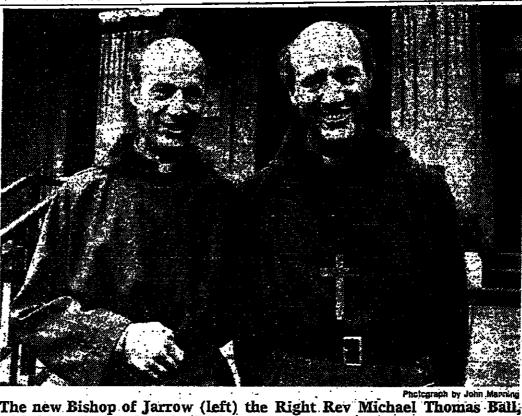
214-year-old piano: The earliest known English piano, made by Johannes Zumpe in 1766, is for sale at Sothebys in London on March 20. It is one of 11 keyboard instruments from the Broadwood collection.

25 years ago

From The Times of Saturday, March 19, 1955

Televising the Derby This year's Derby will not be televised and no move will be made to televise the Derby in 1955 unless in the meantime the Copyright and Television Establi-ing Right Bill becomes law. This was announced yesterday by Mr L. E. Van Moppes, chairman of the Epsom Grand Stand Association Limited at the association's annual meeting in London. Mr Van Moppes said that the board were naturally under pressure from the BBC to give them the facilities which they are so anxious to ob-tain but the fee the BBC lad offered "is very far removed

from what we know to be the true value. We have our ideas of true value", he said, "not on hypothetical figures but on information which is in our possession relating to the numbers of those people living in the United States who regularly tune their sets to televised racing." It was probable, Mr Van Moppes continued, that a higher percentage of the television televised since the war. It is understood that last year the BBC did not approach the Derby organizers on the subject of television facilities but negotiations have been entered into this year. An offer by the BBC of a fee in the region of \$1,500 has been mentioned unofficially tioned unofficially,



with his twin brother the Bishop of Lewes, the Right Rev Peter Ball. The new bishop became a priest in 1971.

Market for watercolours by Orientalist J F Lewis losing its early gloss

Sale Room Correspondent The market in the Oriental water-The market in the Oriental watercolours of the gifted nineteanthcentury artist John Frederick
Lewis appears to have collapsed,
to judge by Christie's auction
yesterday. A colourful scene of
an old man reading aloud in a
courtyard, titled "And the prayer
of faith shall save the sick " was
bought in at £35,000 having been
expected to reach octween

bought in at £35,000 having been expected to reach octween £40:000 and £50,000.

"A view of the street and mosque of Ghoorcyah, Cairo" by the same artist was unsold at £8,500 (estimate £10,000-£15,000) and "The caravan: an Arab comapment at £dfou" was uncold at £13,000 (estimate £20,000-£30,000).

130,000).

Within a week of each other last autumn two Lewis vater colours were sold for 545,000 and 275,000. Lewis, a brilliantly controlled draughtsman, has been one of the most highly-rated mneteenth-century limners of the mineteenth-century limners of the Middle East scene for several years, and such "Orientalist" pictures have been mainly, though erratically, in strong demand ever since the oil crisis of 1973. It is unclear whether the high prices reflected the interest of oil-the Middle Eastern buyers or the expectation that they would show such an interest. One big American collector at least has American collector, at least, has becn buying. While there wire no takers at

While there were no takers at last autumn's price levels for the major Lewis watercolours, more sketchy items from his hand found 52,400 (estimate £3,000-£4,000) for his "Bedouins. Mount Sinai " and A. Reed paid the same price for "Ploughing at Kom-Ombo" (estimate £2,000-£3,000).

Latest appointments

Professor H. B. Whittington, FRS, Woodwardian Professor and Head of the Department of Geology, of

or me Department or Geology, of Cambridge University to be a trustee of the British Museum (Natural History), succeeding Dr A. Williams, FRS. Mr David Stephen to be Deputy Director of the minority Rights

Group.

Dr Alan K. Russell to be director

of the Inter-University Council for Higher Education Overseas, succeeding Mr R. C. Griffiths, who

Sir Charles John Curran, of Finchley, north London, Director-General of the BBC 1969-77, left

Other estates include (net, before tax paid, tax not disclosed): Olliver, Mr Ian Brettell, of Barnt

Green, Worcestershire ... £420,098
De la Pasture, Mr. Gerard Roger
Malherbe, of Stelling Minnis, Kent

Memorial services

The Hon M. L. Astor
A memorial service for the Hon
Michael Laughorne Astor was held
yesterday at St James's, Piccadilly.
The Rev William Baddeley offl-

ciated. Mr James Astor (son) read the lesson and Sir Martyn Beckett gave an address. Among those

etires on March 31.

Latest wills

£161.631 net.

present were:

Luncheons

Law Society.
The President of the Law Society,
Mr John Stebbings, was host at a
luncheon held at 60 Carey Street,
yesterday. The guests were:
The Earl of Eglinton and Winson,
Lord Justice Tempteman, the Lord
Mayor of Westminster. Sir Rilary
Scott, Mr. G. S. Jonas, Mr. R. M.
Wilson, Mr. J. D. Clarke, Bir M. A. G.
Sachs and Mr. J. L. Bowton (secrelary-seperal).

Royal College of Surgeons of Henry England Sir Reginald Murley, President of Scientific Instrument Makers' the Royal College of Surgeons of Commany England, yesterday entertained at huncheon at the college Sir Richard Pease, Mr Nigel Mobbs, Mr Denis Roberts and Professor J. B. Kinmonth.

Dinners .

Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers' Association of Britain Sir Ian 'Gilmour, MP, and Mr Bruce Page were guests of honour at the annual dinner of the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers'

Sir Edwin Chapman-Andrews
The Queen was represented by
Lord Mowbray and Stourton at a
memorial service for Sir Edwin
Chapman-Andrews held yesterday
in the Crypt Chapel of St Paul's
Cathedral. The Secretary of Stare
for Foreign and Commonwealth
Affairs was represented by Sir
Donald Logan and the Diplomatic
Service by Sir Donald Maitland.
Canon L. John Collins officiated,
assisted by the Rev Richard Fenwick. General Sir Charles Richard
son gave an address. Among those
present were:

assisted by the Rev Richard Fenwick. General Sir Charles Richardson gave an address. Among those present were:
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Sir Lance Mallalieu, QC. The Prime Minister was repre-sented by Mr Ian Gow, MP, and the Speaker of the House of

Commons gave an address at a memorial service for Sir Lance Mallalieu, QC, held yesterday at St Margaret's Westminster. Canon John Baker officiated. Mr R. L. Mallalleu (brother) and Mr Huon Mallalleu (son) read the lessons. Others present included: Mrs Shune Askew 'daughter', Mr and Mrs Ronald Joseph (Son-in-law and daughter), David and Cheri Joseph

250,000-300,000 francs) or £35,000;
At Sotheby's Belgravia a sale-offine Victorian paintings and drawings saw high prices for the more distinguished works on offer, but a notable lack of interest in middle range items, which explains the 20 per cent unsold percentage of the £420,500 total. The top price was £10,000 (estimate £7,000-£14,000) for a view of Venice by £dward William Cooke, an attractive painting,

The other important unsold lot was Richard Dadd's "Polyphemus discovered asleep by the shetpherds" bought in at £6.500 (estimate 50,000-25,000), an example of a rather over antitious reserve not being met.

The extraordinary, and highly successful, feature of Christie's two-session watercolour sale was the Haldimand collection. This comprised 97 lots, all of which sold, and totalled £143,360. The watercolours were bought for Mrs offer but a polable lack, of interest in middle range items, and 1828 by George Fennel Robson; she had askerd for "a representative album of drawings by the best watercolour painters of the fexplains the 20 per cent unsold vercentage of the £420,500 (estimate \$7,000-214,030) for a view of Venice by Edward William (control of the set watercolour painters of the fexplains the 20 per cent unsold vercentage of the £420,500 (estimate \$7,000-214,030) for a view of Venice by Edward William (control of the set watercolour painters of the fexplains the 20 per cent unsold vercentage of the £420,500 (estimate \$7,000-214,030) for a view of Venice by Edward William (control of the painters). "dav " included Turner, The "dav" included Turner, whose small "Oyster beds at Whitstable" sold for £24,000 (estimate £10,000-£15,000). Richard Parkes Bonington whose "Grandpapa" made £10,500 (estimate £4,000-£5,000) and John Constable whose "Beston Bridge, Salishury" made £9,600 (£4,000-£5,000). In 1830 Constable commented "Were it not for ladies" (albums I knaw not what we poor landscape painters would do". The two auctions totalled £320,105 with 28 per cent upsold.

Ader et Picard in Paris launched The Sotheby's sale of Chinese snaff bottles scored two exceptionally high prices for Peking enamel bottles, made in the palace workstops in the Qiankong period. Five years ago this type of bottle was not greatly sought after and might have brought \$500 at auction. Yesterday, Mr E. Cameron, a private collector, paid £10,500 (estimate £3,000-£5,000) for one decorated with a scene of shepherd and shepherdess in familie rose enamels and £4,000 (estimate £1,500-£2,500) for a damaged example, paioted with flowers and landscape. The sale of snuff bottles made £46,544, with 7 per cent unsold.

Ader et Picard in Paris launched Ader et Picard in Paris isunched their important sales at the Palais d'Orsay yesterday with an auction of drawings and watercolours. Prices ran much in line with expectations.

A pair of charming Oudry paintings of dogs playing in a landscape made 710,000 francs (estimate 400,000-500,000 francs), or E75,000. A pair of still lifes by Willem-Claesz Heda, one with a plate of oysters and the other with a month-watering horring studded. a mouth-watering herring studded with jumper berries, made 400,000

per cent unsold,
At Phillips a sale of clocks and
watches totalled £95,650, with 8
per cent unsold. A George Graham
ebony striking bracket clock made
£11,000 (estimate £5,000-£7,000). night at Marlborough House, Mr Andrew Walker, president of the association, was in the chair. Other guests included: Utner guests included:
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Australia Canada and New Zosland,
the Minister-Counselior for the Soviet
Union, the Minister and MinisterCounselior for Indonesis, the British
Ambassador to the Irish Republic, the
Commissioner for Hongkong, the Ron
Mrs G. Dimwoody, MP, and the Hon
Menry Hankey.

Sotheby's sale of Chinese export porcelain totalled E158,965 with 8

per cent unsold.

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Someby's sale of Chinese snuff

The Scientific Instrument Makers'

The Scientific Instrument Makers' Company held a livery dinner last night at Scientific Instrument Makers' Hall. The guests were welcomed by the Master, Mr J. R. McNally, and the Wardens, Mr R. H. Davies and Mr S. S. Carlisle. The principal guest was Dr G. F. Gainsborough. Secretary of the Institution of Electrical Engineers. Other guests included the Master of the Master Mariners' Company and the Commander, M division of the Metropolitan Police.

(grandchildren), Mrs R. L. Mallateu (sister-in-law), Mr. Ben Maffalleu, Mrs Nargaret Mock, Mrs Pensty Obrech. Lord Muron of Lindisfarne. Mr Edward Bishop, Lady (Dingle) Foot, Sir John and Lady Tilney, Sir Neel Short. Str Gibert Longden, Sir John Compton Miller. Sir Paul Osmond (Caurch Commissioners), Sir Robin Vanderfelt (Commonweath Parliamentary Association), Sir Isan and Lady Macleman, Mr Tam Dalyell, Mp. Colonel Peter Thorne (Serjeant at Arms. House of Commons), Mr Brian Walsh, QC; Dr Linnien, Marrellan Reform, Mr Common, Mr Hall Mallater, Mr P. R. Davis (chairman, Channel Tunnel Association) with Major Frank Britton, Mr P. R. Davis (chairman, Channel Tunnel Association) with Mr R. D. Hithersey (secretary) and Mr A. R. Titchener (pressurer, and Mr David Lane.

Mr R. Blackwell Mr R. Blackwell
A memorial service for Mr Richard
Blackwell was held at the University Church of St Mary the
Virgin, Oxford, on Samrday. The
Rev Peter Cornwell officiated,
assisted by the Rev A. K. Mathews,
the Rev G. Knight and the Rev
K. J. Triplow. Sir John Brown
read the lesson and Mr Henry
Schollick gave an address. Among
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Professor Erich Fromm the lonelities and least psychoanalyst and social philosolutions to his predictal home near locarno in Switzer mes. Fromm's was a signal where he had lived quietly plearion of the state of political than the latter was a signal where he had lived quietly plearion of the state of freedom.

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CORSEGUERCE.

by a number of Eastern European Marxist writers. -Erich Fromm was born in Frankfurt on March 23, 1900. He attended the university of Heidelberg, taking his PhD and Munich where he was trained in psychoanedysis, and the university of Berkin. In 1929 he returned to Frankfurt where he lectured on social psycho-logy from 1929.

OBITUARY

PROFESSOR ERICH FRO

Eminent psychoanalyst

In 1933 he had visited. America as a visiting professor and when Hitler came to power the emigrated to the United States arriving there in 1934. From that point onwards he was associated with a succession of leading American universities: he taught at the International Institute of Social Research in New York; he lectured at Columbia University and Bencington College: he was a professor at the National University of Mexico from 1951; he held a chair in psychology or Michigan Single University from 1957 to 1961 and was, from 1962 a professor at New York University.

Promm published over twenty books, many of which gained wide currency as examples of the application of psychoanalytical thinking to social and cultural problems. Escape from Freedom (1941), published in Britain as The Fear of Freedom (1942), examined the plight of men in the post existentialist world. in the post existentialist world, it saw man as cut off from the homely security of the medieval paradise, driven by

PROFESSOR PERCIVAL GURRE

Professor Percival Gurrey, penetrated in many who died on March 7 at the in the new small in age of 90, was one of the Education, particula people who pioneered the transwhat was to become the formation of the London Instiment for Education is tute of Education from its ping Countries. In 19: beginnings as the London Day become head of the nebeginnings as the London Day. Training College for Secondary Teachers into the large and influential School of the University it has now become. His direct contribution was in the closely with the Britis
field of language teaching, in its programme of
though his indirect influence ing English Language
was far wider.

Born in 1890, he served with distinction in two world wars, taught English in grammar of his English grac such to the Lordon Day The went to the Lordon Day ing College to develop the training of teachers of English in secondary schools. He wrote as well as taught, and Our Living Language and Grammar. at Work (with J. H. Grattan) broke into English teaching like a fresh wind; they were non-prescriptive, based on collecting and studying English as it is actually used and expected school children to do this. The fresh wind blew on poetry teaching too. Children would enjoy it if they read it aloud hence his three books on poetry speaking by groups.

In these formative years between the wars his influence

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went into the India Service in 1934 and

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MR P. M. HUBBARD

Mr P. M. Hubbard, who died 1910, the son of W. O. on March 17, was a most and Millicent Amy Gr imaginative and distinguished family moved to Guer practitioner of a kind of cause of his father's ill fiction aptly described by one Hubbard went to st of his American publishers as Elizabeth College there

novels of suspense".
His first, Flush As May, was published less than twenty vears ago when he was already 53. But it had the assurance and individuality of style and tone that marked all its successors and gave his books a very special place in the affections of their admirers. The scene is typically set in open country, in Britain except in his Indian story The Country of Again, and on the sea, or at any rate near water. A solitary hero, often with a dubious past, finds himwith a duotous past, thus nun-self in circumstances that are indefinitely, but unequivocally, menacing. The most ordinary features of our everyday surroundings are endowed with a powerfully disquieting charac-ter by prose of the utmost purity, simplicity and elegance, the outcome of Hubbard's poetic sensibility and classical

books for children. Choosing to live in of country he wrote al settled, after various m training. settled, after various to Philip Hubbard was born in south-west Scotland in

LIEUT-COL R. R. M. PERCEVAL

Lieutenant-Colonel R. R. M. Perceval, OBE, MC, son of the Perceval, OBE, MC, son of the GSO I appointments, I late Major-General Sir Edward AG 14, in the War Off Maxwell Perceval, Royal Artillery, who has died aged 85, had a distinguished record in both world wars. As a Dining Club whose regular in the Royal Artillery reunions are still held in the First World War he fought in France and won the Military Cross in January 1917, a Bar in September 1917 and a further Bar in September 1918, Retiring from the Regular Army in 1929 he founded and

ran a men's club in the East End In 1938 he was recalled from the RARO, posted to the War Office and with the late Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer compiled lists of potential rectuits for the revived Intelligence Corps. Between them they laid the foundations of the

From 1939 to 1945 was appointed OBE in 1 was the founder and clof the MI Directorate (1 Army and Navy Cl

To those who worked his direction during th and have subsequently regular contact throug and meticulously officer who commanded and affection. The enth and energy he display Chairman of the Diner markable for a man of hi and his courtesy and won him many admirers. He is survived by his Dorothy.

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Japan ready for 7-point PO men savage letters delivery plan attack on inflation to support value of yen

From Koji Nakamura

Tokyo, March 18 Japan is expected to an-

nounce a seven-point anti-inflation package tomorrow to bolster the yen on foreign exchange markets. At the same time the Bank of Japan will traise its discount rate by 11 counts to 9 per cent. These-latest measures to help the yen ounce a seven-point antiand counter rising inflationary pressures are likely to include curbs on prices and public

spending.

The fiscal package will back up monetary tightening announced yesterday. As well as the widely-expected rise in the discount rate, the Bank of Japan has raised the reserve requirement ratio on commercial banks. This will take an estimated \$2,000m (£909m) out of the banking system.

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The discount rate has been raised twice in a month and five times in the past year. It is now as high as it was in the inflationary aftermath of the 1973 oil crisis.

The Japanese moves are clearly designed to offset the effect of President Carter's antiinflation measures on the yen. Although the yen has remained fairly steady over the past 10 days, this has been at the cost of huge Japanese intervention in the world's corrency markets. New measures are expected to include cuts in public works programmes, moves to stop un. \$11,300m defici-necessary price rises following of fiscal 1979. on from higher gas and elec. Even though

Seven-nation talks on

Mr Charles Schultze, Presi- Euro-banking market, the bulk dent Carter's chief economic of which are in dollars. We

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nations are expected to hold a meeting this weekend at Saudi government is considering substantial investment to cuss the medium-term impact strengthen oil output capacity of all prices and supplies on

oil price impact

advisor, and other top officials

of oil prices and supplies on the economies of the world.

Sources said vesterday that the meeting, called at the initia-tive of Mr Emile Van Lennen,

Secretary-General of the Organ-ization for Economic Coopera-tion and Development, was to be a "brain-storming seminar."

The officials are expected to

rise in oil prices and future

Saudia dollar investments. The

Carter administration is assuming that the Saudi Arabian authorities will increase their

oil production capacity, con-

dollar assets and to increase

business with America, Frank

Voel writes.
Mr Fred Bergsten, assistant

treasury secretary for inter-national affairs, pointed out that Saudi Arabia has built up a combined current account

payments surplus of over \$50,000m since 1974, It "has chosen to invest around 85 per cent of its funds in the United

States and in deposits in the

Group plan

paves way

for robots

J. C. Bamford, the excavator firm at Rocester, Staffordshire, has launched a £13m investment

programme with the introduc-

The robots will be used for spray-painting and the use of more robots for welding is be-

ing investigated as part of a special project mounted in conjunction with the Department of Industry and British Oxygen.

A company spokesman said yesterday These developments will transform working condi-

tions for welders as well as in-

About 18m is being spent in houbling capacity for production of 180 degree excavator

loaders, the company's main

supplies.

Government into Bank of Japan officials say, they are confident that the measures will have a considerable impact on inflation. But 'economists outside the government have grave doubts. They believe the yen may remain weak for some time. Also, there are doubts about the impact which the new measures will have directly on inflation.

Wholesale prices have ac-celerated sharply in the last three months because of higher oil prices, and the rise is bound to lead to higher in coming months. lead to higher retail prices

The yen is being undermined by a growing deficit on the by a growing deficit on me balance of payments, largely as a result of higher oil prices. These have added an estimated \$25,000m a year to Japan's

Analysts are quick to point to the pessionistic outlook for the balance of payments. According to the advance report on Japan's external payments position for February, which was released on Monday. which was released on Monday, deficit in the current account between April, 1979, and last month totalled \$12,546m (£5,703m), far above the government estimate of a \$11,300m deficit for the whole

on from higher gas and elec. Even though long-term capi-tricity prices, emergenty re- tal transactions for February

hope it will continue to do so ",

to 12 million barrels per day. Present Saudi output is 9.5 million barrels, but a higher

level is necessary to strengthen Saudi influence in Opec. Mr. Bergsten suggested. Saudi

spokesmen have recently indi-

cated that the aim is to reach the 12 million level by 1984.

Arab Association for Commerce

and Industry, he said the United States had been and continued

to be the single largest recipi

managed their payments sur-pluses. But he pointed out that

the Saudis appreciate the value

Mr Bergsten sought to under-

line the associed areas of

mutual interest between the United States and Saudi Arabia.

Mr William Miller, the Treasury Secretary, will be hosting a meeting of the American-Saudi joint economic commission at

the start of April and this body

has developed some \$750m of development projects in Saudi

of their assets depends on a

stable and strong dollar.

In a speech to the American

Bergsten suggested.

ties to stabilize prices news of 91,300m; the current account impetus for energy saving and definit of 91,240m and a deficit the stabilization of bind prices of \$500m in short term capital. transactions pushed the overall balance of payments \$840m.

It was pointed out that new interest rates enforced in the United States last week would Japanese efforts since the differences in interest rates between the two countries are still "substantial".

As long as the external payments position remains vulnerable; the analysist said, the value of the yen will have to remain basically weak. The bank of Japan will have to continue to intervene in the markets in order to prevent any further depreciation of the

The only bright possibility, they said, is that the price of oil, which accounted for 40 per cent of external payments in February, "may have hit the ceiling" and no sharp rises in external payments are currently foresecoole.

But they said there was little for optimism about Wholesale prices in "most probably will remani as high as in February, if not higher Analysts have already dis-missed the possibility that the

government estimate of a 4.7 per cent rise in consumer prices for fiscal 1979 (ending this month) would be kept.

but substituted a claim for

wide-ranging A wide-ranging package aimed at improving the efficiency of the postal delivery reflected in improved pay for service, is in tatters after a postmen.

special delegate conference of the Post Office the Union of Post Office plan was the introduction of workers yesterday rejected casual workers during the gramme. Post Office executives, the kind of staff shortages will meet today to consider whether there is any point in continuing negotiations withthe union.

the union.

The package had the backing of the union executive which was clearly embarrassed by the reaction of the 1,000 plus delegates. The conference was closed to the public for a closing speech by Mr Tom Jackson, IPW general secretary when UPW general secretary, when he laid before the conference the ramifications of its deci-

Mr Jackson, had argued

the package was necessary for the Post Office to generate higher profits which could be

summer holidays to overcome the kind of staff shortages which last year led to the public being asked not to post any mail for a short period. The corporation also wanted to improve recruitment and simplify the promotion procedures for postmen to become Postmen Higher Grade (PHG) who are

mainly sorters.
In return the union was offered a two-hour cut in the working week from next year, bringing the normal week down to 41 hours, improve-ments in pay for PHGs and

working.

The conference rejected the use of casual workers during this summer, but approved the employment of 5,000 school leavers. At the moment there is a ban on anyone under the age of 18 joining the cor-

The new promotion procedures were rejected as were proposals for new duty rotas and the dropping of restrictions on duties which can becarried out by new entrants. A further proposal that ordinary postmen should be eligible to become acting supervisors was also thrown out. Many delegates voiced fears the proposals could

threaten their jobs and lead to further inefficiency in the postal service. Delegates approved

higher rates of pay for night work in place of the corporation's offer on evening allow-There now appears to he very little left in the package which would benefit the Post Office. and it is difficult to see how it

would be prepared to concede. improved pay and shorter hours if the main productivity elements of the proposals have been rejected.

A senior corporation observer. at the conference heard Mr . Jackson tell delegates: "Unless we can hold this year's trafficat last year's levels, after two price increases, there will not be enough in the kitty to settle our (20 per cent) wages claim and the Government will not "
allow the Post Office to go into

Net outflow of £2.1m from unit

By Margaret Stone

Although unit trust gross sales in February at 134.6m were only slightly lower than the 135.5m recorded in January. repurchases were £2.4m higher at £36.8m, leaving a net out-flow of funds of £2.1m. second worst in the unit trust industry's history, but Mr Cholmeley Messer, chairman of the Unit Trust Association, said last night that he was "not greatly surprised" at the out-come. He blamed both adverse press comment and the credit squeeze for the lack of confidence shown by unit holders. Net sales figures for March are not expected to be much better. The climate for equity investment remains uncertain and in addition the industry ex-

Maple turns down £8.4m double offer from Waring and Gillow

By Rosemary Unsworth

Waring and Gillow (Holdings), the furniture and carpet retail group, has made its long-awaited bid for Maple (Holdings), the furniture chain renowned for its Tottenham Court Road store in London.

The offer, which was immediately rejected by the Maples board as totally unsatisfactory, is on the basis of 300 cash for is on the basis of 30p cash for every Maple ordinary share or one Waring and Gillow share plus 252p cash for every 12 Maple shares.

Both offers value the group at £8.4m. Waring's share price fell back 10p on the announcement and Maple rose by 2½p to

Maples ordinary shareholders will also receive a second interim dividend of 1.07p gross for the year ending February 2 1980 in lieu of any further dividend for the year. This would make a total for the year of 1.42p gross compared with 1p the previous year.

Waring and Gillow has stores, would be continued.

Fered Maples' preference Maples' largest single sharenareholders 73p cash which holder is the M & G Group

Earlier this month Maples announced it had firmly announced it had firmly rejected suggestions of an £8.5m bid, also from Waring, consisting of 21p cash and 9p worth of the bidder's share per share, as it seriously undervalued the company. This was followed by a sharp rise in the Maple share price as specular

tors moved in pushing the price up to 34p at one point. Waring said yesterday that the Maples acquisition would provide a natural extension to its furniture and carpet retailing business and that Maples

trading activities, centred on 40

with 7.2 per cent, while Waring 31 per cent controlled by Great Universal Stores.

Waring also produced its interim results yesterday showing that profits fell back from £2.13m to £2.1m in the six months to September 30, 1979. Turnover rose by 10 per cent to \$29.8m and Mr Manny Cussins, the chairman, pointed out that the VAT increase last June had distorted the normal trading patterns. The furniture division's profits rose from £2.1m to £2.2m while the clothing manufacturing division contributed an £85,000 loss. Three of the clothing factories have now been closed and negotiations are conclosure of a further two.

The interim dividend has been increased from 1.67p to

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pects that pre-Budget "bed and breakfast" operations will in-flate the level of repurchases. Challenge on fibres

curb fizzles out

From Peter Norman

West Germany's challenge to the restrictions imposed last month on imports into Britain of cheap American nvion carpet yarn fizzled out today when EEC trade ministers agreed merely to ask the European Commission for further details of the state o the European syntheric ibre industry to satisfy

Mr Cecil Parkinson, the British Trade minister, told his EEC colleagues that even the United States administration had accepted that Britain had a case in pressing for the import restrictions from the commis-

He added that the size of is reported to be seeking trade concessions from the EEC worth £55m to offset the effects of last month's move-was in itself

cheap United States synthetics i action had not been taken. It has been estimated on the basis of the compensation claim that British imports of American polyester filament yarn and nylon carpet yarn this year would have been two and a haif

In raising objections to the import restrictions, the German' government was evidently seeking to pur a shot across the bows of its Common Market partners to deter them from seeking similar protectionist action.

and six times 1978 levels.

Herr Otto Schlecht, who deputised for Dr Otto Graf Lambs-dorff, the Economics Minister, stressed that Germany wanted compensation being sought by to see recourse to protectionist the United States—Washington measures under article: 19 of the Gatt treaty only in "justi-fiable and special" cases.

It is thought that the German government, having made its proof that Britain would have point, will not now press the suffered a massive inflow of issue further in Britain's case.

EEC energy research spending up by 50 pc

Technology Editor

further backing for the Joint European Torus (JET) fusion project at Culham, Oxfordshire; and nuclear reactor safety, solar energy and other projects at the various locations of the Joint Research Centre with headquarters at Ispra, Italy.

The programmes were put forward by Herr Guido Brun-ner, the Commissioner, whose responsibilities include energy. research, and the Joint Re-search Centre. They are described by the Commission as "the most ambitious and comprehensive" programmes comprehensive" programmes agreed since the foundation of the Community.

For fusion research, a £500m, four-year programme has been agreed to which the Community will contribute about £210m. Construction of the JET at Culshould be complete by the beginning of 1983.

The remaining sum of about

which the most important areas The EEC's spending on are nuclear security, new energy research is to be raised energy sources and environby 50 per cent as part of an increased by the Council of Ministers. Research programmes costing about £530m over the next four years will include the next four years will include the further backing for the Laint Three Miles Lebel 1997. Three Miles Island mishap will be conducted at Ispra.

Expenditure on solar energy, will be doubled to about £14m in a programme which includes : ... technical support for developing countries. The loss-of-coolant experi-

ment at Ispra marks the return to Community use of the Essor reactor which has been leased to the Italian government since reactor which is described as "the Community's single most important research tool". In this particular experiment, hecause of its international sig-nificance, the United States and Japanese participation is also envisaged.

Among other new elements of the Community's research activity remote sensing from space is being further developed; and the emphasis in the hydrogen technology work has changed to include a study of hydrogen for energy storage and transport.

Delivery of BR ferries months behind schedule

Four ships being built for British Rail at Harland and Wolff, the Belfast shipyard, are months behind schedule and the delays could cost BR millions of pounds, it was claimed yesterday after a naming ceremony for one of the vessels, the St Christopher, which is 12 weeks late.

Mr John Bosworth, chairman of BR's Sealink division, said at a lunch to mark the cereat a lunch to mark the cere-mony: "We ordered four ships and all are late. One, the Gallo-way Princess, is ten months late. Our competitors order their ships in Germany they are not late," Mr Bosworth said.

Sealink spokesman said later: "We have a price cutting war on the English Channel will run a ferry service on the

Dover/Calais route. Sir Brian Morton, Harland and Wolff's chairman, admitted later: "We are behind time on these ships. But remember a ship is meant to last for 20 years, and we would rather get it right now than later, even if we are a bit behind time.

"We got the jobs because of our record in fitting out passen-ger ships. But we've been build takes time to adjust back to doing passenger vessels," he explained.

The St Christopher should have been knurched today, but this was delayed because of

£320m is going into a four-year programme to be conducted by **BRITISH AMERICAN AND**

Managers: KLEINWORT, BENSON LIMITED

Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Conroy and summary of the results for the year ended 31s; December, 1979,

GENERAL TRUST LIMITED

Dividend: Your Board is proposing that a final dividend of 1.30p per unit be paid making a total for the year of 2.125p (excluding the special dividend of 0.217p) compared with a total of

14.9%. Assets:

Against a background where no major stock. market displayed strength over the year, the net asset value fell by 3.5% from 54.1p to 52.2p at 31st December, 1979. Over the same period the FT Actuaries All-Share Index rose by 4.3% and the adjusted Standard & Poor's Composite Index fell by 27.6%.

1.85p in respect of 1978, an increase of

Furniture group stalked by hunters of fair game | Portfolio: With over 75% of the Trust still invested in the United Kingdom the Board's policy is to . reduce this imbalance, and we shall continue with our steady buying policy in the United States. Elsewhere overseas we are adding to our Japanese holdings and increasing . modestly our European and Australian holdings.

> 1979 1978 Revenue available for £970,483 Ordinary Stock (Net) £1,257,294 Earned for Ordinary Stock (Net) 2.51p 1.95p Total Assets ... **£27,165,679** £28,107,787 Attributable to Ordinary Stock **£26,134,012 £26,986,402** Net Asset Value per Unit of 25p 52.2p

Annual General Meeting-20 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3, Friday, 11th April, 1980, at 11.30 a.m.

mcial Editor, Page 19 | product line. PRICE CHANGES

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Price rise 'could cost coal privileged position'

ent of Saudi investments, and Mr Fred Bergsten: Saudi

so the strength of the dollar, investment welcomed.

By Bill Johnstone position as fuel for the electricity supply industry, delegates at an electricity markettion of robots to make the work. ing conference at Harrogate were warned yesteday.

At current prices, coal costs only f30 to f35 a tonne com-pared to £80 a tonne for oil. But the economics of using it could change where improve-ments in the efficient burning of oil have been achieved or in the event of any price rise

A number of speakers were concerned about the effects of rising costs of fossil fuels generally. For this reason they emphasized the need to continue with the nuclear pro-

y Bill Johnstone

Coal could lose its privileged cent of the total running costs compared with 80 per cent in a conventional fossil fuel generating plant.

He said Saudi imports of

United States goods amounted to around \$4,900m last year,

representing more than 20 per

cent of total Saudi imports. Saudi Arabia is America's

seventh largest trade partner.

expand American Saudi com-

mercial ties," he added.

can companies.

We want to encourage and

On investment, it appears that

Saudi authorities have assured

the Treasury that they will not

use their funds to speculate in

United States property or seek controlling interests in Ameri-

While advocating " an orderly growth" in the nuclear programme, Mr Fred Bonner, deputy chairman of the Elec-tricity Generating Board cau-tioned delegates that nuclear costs would also increase with rises in uranium prices and the capital costs of plant. In addition, he said, there will undoubtedly be greater pressures for more safety measures.

However, Mr Bonner added that "nuclear is still more favourable than coal" The electricity industry is stil awaiting a statement by

the Government on its cash

German businessmen tackle a Swedish connexion

gramme since the fuel cost in limits.

The state court in Düsseldorf and forbad Ikea to use its might not seem the likeliest motto, or display the Swedish place to stalk game, but a German businessmen's association has none the less, bagged the ently can stay as a mascot. country's most famous elk there, in the guise of Ikea which has the elk as its mascot and bills itself as "the impossible furniboth courts of appeal uphold

ture store from Sweden." The Association for the Preservation of Pair Competition has won the first legal round against Ikea: The association as plaintiffs won the court's agreement for its charge that Itea should not pretend to be a Swedish furniture store when, in fact, a good portion of its products come from elsewhere such as East Germany and Taiwan.

The court ruled that such a

flag in connexion with its advertising. But the elk, appar-Ikea intends to appeal the ruling and can continue its claims: to Swedishness until

the Düsseldorf judgment.

The whole case raises some wide ranging questions about what's in a name, and could have implications for market-ing everything from French perfume to United States jeans. It is perhaps, moot whether Ikea's phenomenal growth in Germany—reaching a turnover last year of DM550m just five years after entering the market is due to the Swedish conexion or to the group's innovative cash and carry approach to claim could confuse customers furniture buying.

Located in empty fields outside large cities, the warehouselike Ikea stores feature a modest corner displaying the wares and a huge shopping area with those same wares all packaged up on roof high Having made his selection,

the customer loads his package onto an oversize grocery cart, takes it through check-out, hauls it home (usually on the luggage rack on top of the car) and nails or screws it together according to a wordless instruction sheet. Ikea defends its claims to

Swedish origins. Solicitor Klaus Kelwing points out that Ikea has been in Sweden about 30 years and is the country's largest furniture group, with a market share of 22 per cent. More than 90 per cent of the in Hamburg

products are designed in Sweden, and 75 per cent are produced in Scandinavia (more than 50 per cent in Sweden itself).

Ikea buys the rest from foreign manufacturers, but only according to its own specifica-

Germany's national marketing essociation last year honoured Ikea's accomplishments with its covered marketing prize. Such success makes enemics, and one might suspect that the challenge to the Swedishness of the impossible furniture store is a front for disgruntled German furniture dealers. Both parties are ready to fight through to the final appeal.

Darrell Delamaide



Uganda hands back 'empires' to Asians

'Uganda's government has concluded operating agreements with members of two Asian family groups to resore the sugar and tea estates and steel mills they operated until 1972, when former President Amin expelled Asians from the coun-

try.
Separate agreements have been concluded for the Madhvani and Mehta families to operate their industrial em-pires in partnership with the government, the sugar estates, steel mills, tea estates and other industries. But the question of ownership of the £100m assets, or of compensation for their seizure in 1972, remains to be settled.

China oil potential

Chin, has vast potential oil reserves and prospects for future oil exploration are bright, Mr Song Zhenming, the Chinese oil minister said. He told a UN-sponsored meeting the country had increased oil production to 106 million tonnes last year, but this was insufficient to satisfy the needs of modernization.

California purchase

Toshiba Corporation announced in Tokyo that it has bought Maruman Integrated Circuits Inc of California. Inc of becomes the third Japanese company to produce semiconductors in the United

Dutch strike call

Holland's trade union federation, FNV has called for nat-ionwide work stoppages on Thursday to coincide with a parliamentary debate on the Dutch government's wage con-trols. The FNV has been continuing a programme of rolling strikes in recent days in the industrial and building sectors in protest at wage policies.

Canal contract

Cie de Constructions Internationales (CCI) has been awarded a F650m contract to build a 360-kilometre canal at Jonglei, in Sudan, to be completed in 1985.

Consumption and

expensive.

Charges to Consumers

Radical plan to reduce Community's dependence on oil imports

EEC summit faces energy tax call

The EEC summit in Brussels at the end of this month could be confronted by radical Commission proposals urging big increases in energy prices in the member states and some form of energy tax or levy at a Community level.

Such measures are conceived as the basis of a new Community energy policy designed to reduce the EEC's dependence on imported energy sources to 30 per cent in the last decade of the century compared with the target of a 50 per cent dependence by 1990.

Officials reporting to Herr Guido Brunner, the EEC Commissioner responsible for energy affairs, have been working on drafts of a programme for adoption by the Commission and presentation to the nine heads f government in the European Council on March 31, by Mr Roy Jenkins, the Commission President.

Both Herr Brunner and Mr Jenkins believe that 1980 is a make or break year in which the Community has a last chance to decide a common policy to reduce its dependence

By Our Industrial Staff

export to many countries.

Textile leaders yesterday

urged the Government to break down artificial trade barriers which are making it almost impossible for the industry to

"Tariffs and other restric-

tions hamper our exports to many developed countries, such as the United States. South Africa, Australia and New

Zealand. And in many of the more advanced developing coun-tries, our exports are blocked

by barriers that are insuperable", Mr Ian MacArthur,

director of the British Textile

In Brazil, tariffs on British

woven fabrics range from 155 to 200 per cent; in South

Korea, the tariff is 80 per cent,

Addressing a meeting of

and many products are totally

Northern Ireland's textile asso-

ciations, Mr MacArthur said:

"Trading opportunity is lop-sided. This applies not only to

the barriers which block our exports, but the European Community's attitude to

imports.
"The Community is the lar-

gest market for the textile and

clothing products of the developing countries. It is also

the least protected market in

the developed world.
"We have import controls,
but they guarantee an annual

Water Company Mr. A.W. White's

Statement to Stockholders

The average daily consumption increased

from 80.1 million gallons in 1978 to 84.3 million

demand by domestic and non-metered consumers.

Increases in demand inevitably bring forward the

provided and, with the capital costs which these

water. With the most easily exploitable sources

already having been brought into use, the cost of providing new sources becomes ever more

be encouraged by an extension of the availability

of metering and volume based charges. As a step

in following the charging requirements of the

the larger commercial users the option of

transferring to a metered supply, where the

Water Act, 1973, the Company intends to allow

charge will be based on water consumed, instead

of a calculation based on the rateable value of the

property concerned. It is possible that this option

to change to a metered supply may, eventually, be

made available to all non-metered consumers,

which this can be introduced is limited by the

availability of equipment and metering staff.

in 1982 and a geotechnical survey has been

commissioned to assess the feasibility of

n-illion gallon service reservoir at Bowers

Canvey Island Electric motors have been

be met, additional rapid filters are to be

Major Developments

diesel engines.

including householders. However, the speed at

To ensure that future water demands may

constructed at Hanningheld to come into service

constructing a raw water tunnel link between Langford and Hanningfield. Construction of a 2.7

Gifford, with associated mains, has commenced

and when completed will improve supplies to

 $ordered \ for \ installation \ at Langham \ High \ Lift$

Pumping Station and will replace the existing

The lack of adequate accommodation for the

staff of the Mid-Essex Division has been a matter

Chelmsfordarea were transferred to the company

of concern since the water undertakings in the

A reduction in the demand for water should

gallons in 1979 and was attributable to extra

time when new works and mains have to be

consumers to exercise restraint in the use of

entail, it is clearly to the advantage of all

Confederation, said.

Although it is recognized that progress has been made at Com-

Textile industry plea

to end tariff barriers

munity level in energy policy since the first oil crisis of 1973, there is still much to be done before the energy programmes of the member states are effecrively coordinated, let alone welded together in a common

Yet it is hoped that last year's 110 per cent rise in oil prices will persuade EEC heads of government at least to accept the need for a common policy and put in hand work that could lead to its adoption at the Council meeting in Venice in

June. Commission officials argue that the price of oil in Europe is too low in that it does not take account of its economic and prospective scarcity value.
Government policies designed
to keep prices down and
minimise the effects of
increases on consumers have, it is argued, reduced incentives to energy and develop alternative ` counteracted other government policies to reduce oil consump-

But national moves increase prices through higher taxes would have to be coordinated at European level to prevent the existing dispari-

Community market, and many of these imports are allowed in duty-free." The confederation expects to submit detailed

proposals for international trade in textiles later this

In a direct appeal to the Prime Minister, the Confedera-tion of British Wool Textiles

said that the industry, in com-mon with others, was becoming

increasingly uncompetitive be-cause of the Government's policies, which were intensify-

ing the already damaging effects of a world recession and

now threatened the "whole future of this country as an

The Bradford-based con-

federation, which represents about 700 companies, said the industry was threatened not

merely by cheap imports but by the strength of sterling and

high interest rates. It asked Mrs Thatcher to "protect

industry from the worst rigours of the prescribed medicines

while the cure is being

real beneficiary was importer who often

Ministerial statements that

in 1971. A site adjoining the Divisional Office and

Depot at Hall Street, Chelmsford, has now been

convertan existing listed building on the newly

acquired site to provide office and other facilities.

purchased and plans are being prepared to

When completed, it will enable staff who are

temporarily housed in rented offices nearby to

rcturn to the main site. Work has started on an

which are due for delivery in June. 1980. Plans

for the South Essex Division.

Changes in Capital

in the paragraph above.

Directors

extension to the computer building at head office to house the new twin ICL 2905 computers

are well advanced for building an office at Romford

On 24th July, 1979, \$6,000,000 of 8%

redeemable preference stock, 1984, was issued

atan average price of \$10139 per \$100 of stock.

received. From the proceeds of the issue,

and £300,000 of £025% (formerly 534%)

redeemable preference stock 1977, 79 and

£250,000 of 5% redeemable debenture stock,

1977/79, were redeemed on 31st December, 1979.

The balance of the issue is being used to finance

capital expenditure on improving and extending

works and mains, including those items outlined

Directorship on 11th May, 1979, having accepted

a ministerial appointment in the newly elected

government. I take this opportunity of thanking

It is with great regret I have to record the

death of Sir Hubert Ashton ou 17th June, 1979.

which he had served as Deputy Chairman. His

which was greatly valued and he is missed, not

in whom he always took a particular interest.

Sir Hubert Ashton as Deputy Chairman.

death and I welcome him to the Board.

only by his fellow Directors, but also by the stall

Admiral Sir Andrew Lewis, K.C.B., Lord

Lieutenant of Essex, accepted an invitation to fill

the vacancy arising from Sir Hubert Ashton's

The Hon Peter E Brassey, JP, has succeeded

many interests gave him a breadth of vision

Sir Hubert had been a Director for 27 years, 13 of

McPaul Channon. MP. resigned his

Mr. Channon for his services as a Director.

Applications for over \$13,000,000 of stock were

£4.000,000 of 10% redcemable preference stock,

1979, was redeemed on 30th September, 1979,

industrial power ...

effected '

ties in the economic perform-

While it is hoped that national increases in the price of oil would reduce overall demand, a Community tax or levy on oil could provide funds to help finance energy saving and alternative energy sources.

The Commission has esti-ated that around 400,000 million European units of account (about £248,000m) will be in-vested in energy in the EEC during 1980s. A further 50,000m to 100,000m units of account (E31,000m to £61,000m) are needed to produce a qualitative improvement in this energy investment that would hold the EEC's oil imports during the

1980s at their present level.

The Community oil tax could help provide the funds required to cut back dependence on oil. it is argued. So far it would seem that the

Commission has not excluded any option on the taxation front. The pros and cons of taxes on imports, production and consumption of oil as well as of these three forms of taxation on other energy sources

At present, several factors ances of member states from seem to favour a combination of getting any worse. position of a production tax together with an import tax would affect producers in the North Sea. But it would also remove the possibility of the EEC breaking the Gatt rules by discriminating against third country producers of oil and should placate the Opec states, which have let it be known that an EEC tax on oil imports could be grounds for them again to raise their oil prices.

Additional taxes on consumption could then be applied in a discriminatory fashion to influence the pattern of oil demand Although the final shape of the Commission proposals must remain a subject for conjecture at this stage, current thinking suggests that Brussels is aiming for a radical shake-up of atti-tudes towards the EEC energy problem with far reaching impli cations for the consumer. Each of the past three European councils has considered the energy problem. It remains to be seen whether this month's

summit really gets to grips with

Peter Norman

Cement makers agree to peg prices for year

Cement manufacturers are hoping to peg prices until next March. Some months before that, however, they will try to give customers a pointer to the scale of the rise, which is to be spread over three instalments. These proposals are contained in a letter sent to civil engineers by the Cement Makers' Federation, through which the

manufacturers operate a common pricing arrangement.

At the beginning of this month, the cement companies increased prices by 24 per cent in a move that incensed civil engineers, who are among the largest users.

Although a subsequent meeting has helped to clear the air, Lord Boyd-Carpenter, chair-man of Rugby Portland, a mem-ber of the Cement Makers' Federation, yesterday replied in angry terms to critics of the

price rises. He said, "People who take it upon themselves to make public pronouncements about alleged price rings really should acquaint themselves with the facts before blowing their heads off in public "

cheap clothing imports were of benefit to the consumer were Last week, Sir Maurice Laing, criticized by Mr Monty Gold-man, chairman of the Shirt president of the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors (FCEC), urged the Government Manufacturers' Federation. The the to end the cement makers' price ring' Boyd-Carpenter, who

was speaking to the National Federation of Building Trades Employers, said the price increases would have been greater if there had been no

He described the increase as modest, at a time when cement makers were facing rapidly rising costs.

In its letter to the civil engineers, the cement makers concede that the rise was "unusually steep". Prices should not go up again until next March unless something quite unforeseen happens. In any case it is hoped to give cus-tomers a pointer to the size of the increase in November, when pricing deliberations begin.

Moreover, it is intended that the eventual increase will be phased in gradually. The cement makers hope that these proposals will meet criticism that too hinle warning—just over a fortnight—was given of the last increases.

Civil engineers yesterday welcomed the proposals. although they remain concerned that the cement makers have been unable to suggest ways in which contractors being hurt by the last increases can be

The FCEC has asked the Cement Makers Federation. which comprises all but one of the manufacturers in the United

CBI backs consumer law plan

By Robin Young Consumer Affairs Correspondent

The marketing and consumer affairs committee of the Con-federation of British Industry is to take over a campaign to ensure the cost-effectiveness of consumer legislation.

The campaign was initiated by the Commercial Legislation Monitoring Group, an ad hoc body formed by 18 major busi-ness groups, including the CBI. The group commissioned a report from the Economist Intelligence Unit which esti-mated that the cost of consumer legislation was between £150m and £200m in 1978, and recommended that no new laws should be proposed until industry had been offered the opportunity to set up voluntary codes to achieve the same

results Mr Harry Shepherd of Marks & Spencer, who chaired the group, said yesterday that its main recommendations had been accepted in principle by Mrs Sally Oppenheim, minister for consumer affairs.

Mrs Oppenheim has agreed that new consumer protection measures should only be introduced where the benefits out-weigh the costs, but she has also said that, on the evidence of the study, the costs of consumer protection measures—
11p per £10 of household expenditure—were not exces-

Concern at plastics competition

Plastics machinery manufac turers are becoming increas ingly concerned that they are not being allowed to compete in world markets on equal with overseas petitors.

Several countries deliberately fabricate difficulties over matters such as documentation at the port of entry, according to the machinery and engineers group of the British Plastics Federation.

It is also widely believed in the industry that some overseas competitors receive hidden government financial assistance for exports. By comparison, the United Kingdom's finance arrangements are slow and too restrictive, according to the

Philip Young, group's chairman, explained that machinery manufacturers were being challenged both at home and in third markets by exports from West Germany, Italy and to a lesser extent Switzerland. Japanese manufacturers ere also taking a large share of world markets.

which offered BL the opportunity to reduce its APL costs very significantly.

BL Systems were unable to discover a UK manufactured promotes Buying British as a virtue, it is inevitable (and quite proper) that its own purchasing decisions should be questioned as in the case of offering microcomputer similar APL facilities. Because of BL Systems' expertise in the field we

distributors and dealers based

on ICL's very successful 1500 minicomputers; Ferranti and

BL have recently jointly developed a minicomputer based vehicle electrical testing

system for Jaguar which is to be further installed in the Rover and Metro plants; Fer-

rami and BL have also worked very closely together to intro-duce and install a very sophisti-

cated computer cabling system as the backbone of the control systems for the Metro and new

Some years ago British Ley-land as it then was, centralized on IBM. BL Systems now weights is computer procure-

ment decisions in favour of

British equipment when there

is a real freedom of choice. The very close recent collabora-tion with ICL and Ferranti

(over the past two years) shows

this. Often however decisions

are severely constrained by major existing software invest-ments which are the result of

and-Rover facilities.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'We buy British for over 90 pc

have been offered (but not Before dealing with the specivet accepted) the UK distrific point he raised, I must re-but the statement: "It is well known that BL imports vast butorship for this machine. On a more general note, British equipment is key to a number of the more recent quantities of equipment, often when there are British made computer developments in BL. products which could be used The administrative systems behind Unipart are all based equally well". This is untrue. BL, as a whole, buys British for well over 90 per cent of its requirements which in a year amounts upon large ICL computers; the most recent ICL annual report features an important joint ICL/BL development for BL's

of requirements', BL says

to £2,000m spent with some 7,000 companies in this country. The remainder accounts for components and equipment that is either not available from a British source or the equivalent British product is unacceptable for commercial

From Mr John Leighfield

Sir, When a company like BL

Mr Philip Rule's letter (March

We in BL are doing no less than what we are asking Bri-tish people and United King-dom companies to do—that is look at the British product. before making a purchasing decision.

The case quoted by Mr Rule concerns BL Systems Ltd and I assume he is referring to a small computer called the MCM 900. The facts are as follows: BL in common with many lorge organizations world-wide is increasingly using a computer system called a computer system called APL to improve its budget-

Again in common with most users of APL, BL has tra-ditionally used a "time-sharing" computer bureau to satisfy the growing need

ing, planning and associated

Recently BL Systems Ltd discovered that a Canadian computer company had pro-

BLSL was to provide the most duced a microcomputer effective computer systems to Kensington (MCM 900) that has a very BL itself. However, where there London SV powerful APL facility and are opportunities to exploit March 12.

Plea for further action on minerals problem a similar manner to commons Sir, Those who have been fol-rights in the sixties, whereby lowing the correspondence over a period they would have about the problem of title to to be registered by those who

minerals in England and Wales will have observed that it has now gradually petered out. It has ranged from the sublime suggestion that the volume and nature of the mineral resources in this country is of so limited a value anyway to the ridicu-lous one that the proponents of change see it only in terms of a nationalization of the

resources in question. In fact there are many approaches available that would lead to a solution of this problem-one of them being the interesting one put forward by David Penhaligon in his Mineral Rights Bill which unfortunately

lay claim to them. There are other equally viable solutions. It remains to be said that the matter should not be allowed to rest and that this kind of inaction on the part of those res-possible for our national progress is one of the causes that has led to our present economic decline. Surely the matter, which is not a difficult one to resolve, can and should be tackled and not allowed to slide as seems to be always the case these days? Yours faithfully

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never saw the light of day and which treated mineral rights in March 11. Qualifications and the company secretary

From Mr G. C. Smith
Sir, I understand that in the
Companies Bill that has just had its third reading in the House of Commons, there is a clause indicating that the secretary of a public company shall be properly qualified and list-ing professions and professional bodies whose members would be acceptable to fill such a posi-

To ensure that a company secretary of a public company is a properly qualified person makes sense. I cannot understand, however, why members of a body whose basic training is in auditing or those of an association whose training is directed towards public finance and local government accounting should be included in a statutory list of persons qualistatutory hist of persons quali-fied to be a company secretary, whereas members of other bod-

State industry chief's pay

From Mr Elwyn Evans
Sir, I see from your news
columns that the chairmen of
nationalized industries want
more pay. The Prime Minister more pay. The Prime Milister has frequently said that pay should be related to productivity—that efficient enterprises should give frigher salaries than inefficient. Is there any reason why this principle should not be applied to these chairmen? Yours faithfully, Elwyn Evans, 59 Circle Gardens, Merton Park, London SW19.

ies, whose study and experience are more closely connected with company work are omitted. It is just as important that a fully qualified person should be the accountant of a public company, but qualifications for this important post are not mentioned in any Companies Act or

Maybe, when the Bill goes to the House of Lords, their lord-ships will see the weakness and unfairness of this clause and reject it in its present form. It is understood that the clause was added to the Bill against the Government's wishes. Yours faithfully, G. C. SMITH,

Vice-President, Society of Company and Commercial Accountants, 40 Tyndalls Park Road, Clifton. Bristol BS8 1PL.

Licence fee for Citizens' Band From Mr P. G. Smith

Sir, There appear to be two major issues relating to radio transmission receiving attention; BBC cuts and pressure for Citizens' Band licensing. Why not licence CB (with appropriate frequency and power controls) at a substantial annual licence fee payable to the BBC? Yours faithfully, P. G. SMITH, The Town Hall, Euston Road, London, NW1 2RU. March 10.

specialist facilities of for BL in-house use i them elsewhere and a immediate revenue directly or through as will be done providing not demand

ing beyond that for internal purposes Ga BLSL's efforts are: BL's funding, not dis I applaud Mr Rule ing policy of buying cars—but the task? more difficult whe "British" cars are in made in the United R all and are imported Kingdom based compa certain vehicles in Yours faithfully, .

IOHN LEIGHFIELD. Managing Director, BL Systems Limited From Professor Geral

Sir, Michael Edward

on our national suicid has certainly produ results. On hearing famous utterances I breakneck speed to d stoke BL centre immediate delivery. Minis shedding a pair cars en route Fired with national with a substantia economy beginning to that the Clubman in and 1100 Special h really very good. In latter is surely the be small car on the in the performance ex With a radio clock, h window, locks on e steering lock, petrol wide wheels and to mirrors and tinted w cluded I for one am.

procurement decisions taken as long as 10 years ago or the non-availability from British suppliers of particular special-ized equipment or software. satisfied. Yours faithfully GERALD BENNEY, On the more general issue the overriding reason for creating Visiting Professor. Royal College of Art, Kensington Gore, London SW7 2EU.

Credit card and need fo

VAT receip From Mr Nick Lanco has overlooked an ... function of a receip When I make a bu: chase for cash, or tlent. I need to get which shows the ven number. This enab! reduce the VAT we quarter.

If the customer's c credit card voucher s vendor's VAT number was embossed on the the voucher had a b "VAT at standard 1 voucher would suf-receipt Much time saved at the point both vendor and pu making preparation ate receipt unni reducing costs and keep prices down. Fu the credit card vouc a standard size, red and simplifying hanc is this not done? 84 Pembroke Garden London W8 6HU.

Air tickets t cheque payr From Mr Griffith Va-

Williams Sir, Further to A Baker's point about air ticket by chequ 11). I understand a will not fly a pass another carrier's tic has been issued a plies in similar " poo cumstances when a been issued against card transaction. P in case the cheque or has been stolen-GRIFFITH VAUGHA

849 Fulham Road. London, SW6 5HJ.

Handling a From The Rev Micha Sir, In 1978 I broug cupboard for my arrived minus the doc Today—12 letters, and 20 telephone cal the door handles hav-I calculate the to elapsed as 526 days. Is this a record o been fortunate in my of British commerci prise? The Rev Michael Saw Ealing Vicarage, 11 Church Place, W5

No conflict in inflation adjustm

From Professor Charles Kennedy
Sir, In suggesting that "any
gearing adjustment is inferior
to general price level adjustment in reporting the effects
of inflation", Professor Whittington (The Times, March 10) perpetuates the myth that there is a conflict between the two approaches. In fact there is no conflict, once one accepts, at Whittington does, that assets should be revalued at current

Suppose I borrow £100 to buy an asset costing £100, which rises in value during the year to £130 while prices in general have visen by 20 per cent. The inflation adjusted gain is then £30. While a gearing adjustment gets to this result in one move, Whittington prefers instead to take credit for a gain on bor-rowing of £20 together with an

inflation-adjusted holding gain If only part of my purchase

had been financed by borrowing, the choice of method has a little more significance, but is not an issue worth going to war an issue worm going to war about. Suppose I had borrowed only £20 and put up £80 my-self. The inflation adjusted gain is then £14, a result that can be reached by either of two routes. In one, a gearing adjustment

£6 is brought in, followed by for the inflation-adjusted ungeared proportion of holding gains. In the Whittington route, f4 is brought in for the gain from borrowing and £10 for the inflation adjusted total holding gain on the asset. The case for preferring the route via a gearing adjustment is. I think, twofold. First, it

sidesteps the objections of the considerable number of critics of CPP, who were reluctant to take credit for a gain on borrowing independently of the use to which the borrowing had Although I do not bcen put.

the point is worth con the interests of consen-positively, the gearing ment, though it must full gearing adjustment the ED 24 halftells me something o cance on the way to result. It tells me how can spend while still ing my original capital ratio. I can borrow a £6, restoring my origining ratio of one-fifth, 2: it on a bottle of fine cla Whether or not the two arguments are for vincing, what is clear there is no inconsistent soever between a gearing ment and a general pri adjustment. Myself.

personally share this re

always been an advo Yours faithfully. CHARLES KENNEDY,

adjustment.

ball gazing is not easy in this period previous year's pace with trading profits rest rates war and currency turmoil. is particularly difficult and most managers are adopting a wait and see e, and with interest rates of around cent obtainable on short-term dollar s there is clearly no need to hurry.

see in the coming months a replay 1975 recession and are preparing. ngiv. Since we tend to see the future is of past experience this could turn be the best course of action. But are important differences.

e is no guarantee that recycling of money will be as easy as last time. anians might be buying less and the might foresake a massive buying for the sake of internal stability. A n to the Third World debt problems more insoluble than ever while beof Afghanistan and other factors, to the Warsaw Pact countries will not asy as last time

ie fall in the price of gold persists he Soviet Union itself may find it t to grant economic support to some tore hard pressed allies.

on the assumption that the Carter e works and that this will once more e shape of a classical recession what

the recession commodities, gold and uld be relatively weak. High interest nd the fall in demand are going to pare the liquidity problems world-or most companies. Profits and cash ill be under pressure.

er such circumstances there seems no o rush into equities just yet. But, s markets are signalling a recession it has been officially pronounced—rica this is somewhat arbitrarily said ir when the Gross National Product

two successive quarters. e oil shares were excluded from the rd and Poor index, it would have been. y about 10 per cent in the last couple iths. American analysts see profits this year and the general view seems hat the p/e ratio of the Dow Jones e will rise from 6 to a still undemand-

e Carter package works then interest tould start falling later this year and ll be the signal to think about equiie two markets that spring to mind Il Street and Japan. Both are unde .and in each case currency considera-ave something to do with any buying

pean markets will take a while Though it should be noted that Gerank shares perversely move when rates fall and they could be a good he next few months.

2 must be a question mark over Loncause no one has past experience of ly found freedom to invest anywhere ere seems no collective mind among lanagers about what to do. Figurahey are like the prisoner out after stretch who does not know what to

e Bond Liebig

ersing the

Bond Liebig has reversed decisively fits decline of the last couple of years 46 per cent jump from £16.5m. ling property disposals in South a which have now tailed off) to pre-tax in the six months to end ways with Brooke Bonk appearances

eptive. The improvement is flattered comparison with a poor opening last year and the absence of heavy sing costs, which given an average ion budget of perhaps £5m a year as at its seasonal height during last television strike could have added £11m to United Kingdom profits. he same the upturn has to be viewed context of the continued strength of ; which the group estimates to have profits by £1.3m and average tea more than a tenth lower at 99p a nich restrained the plantations. Perie best news, however, is the continu-

ed by volume gains across the board etter margins, the United Kingdom ratio of 12 at 75 p a ons more than maintained the is asking quite a lot.

provement in the trading mix which

ige of being tied to the commodity

help Brooke Bond break away from

up from £6.4m to £14.1m. Even the meat side looked up with the downturn in the Baxters retailing division offset by better returns from the processing divisions like Somerwest.

Meanwhile Brooke Bond is managing to keep its share of the United Kingdom tea market at a healthy 34 per cent and margins, especially now that the Price Commission has passed away and there is a more pro-nounced switch from packet to tea bags, are looking better.

The second half is not shaping up as well however even though London tea prices are starting to harden. Even so that will probably mean pre-tax profits of at least £44m this year for a prospective fully taxed p/e ration of under 7 at 51p while the likely vield of 11 per cent is as attractive as ever. The increase in United Kingdom profits has amount of unrelieved ACT would be for a started to ease the group's ACT difficulties hut the only sure way of releasing the large sizable United Kingdom acquisition which the balance sheet can now stand, since end year horrowings will be no higher than

Maple

Waring comes

into the open

Waring & Gillow presumably calculates that the awful memories of the property crisis in the mid-1970s are still sufficiently fresh in the minds of Maple shareholders for them to be tempted into taking a bird in the hand

and thus its 30p a share offer.

Maple and its advisers think otherwise shareholders remained loval even during the dark days when the share price was down at 4p so the argument is that they should stick out for a higher offer now that Maple has achieved a strong profits recovery.

Further, Maple has suggested something nore this year (although half-year profits did not indicate anything very dramatic) and this, together with available tax losses of £14m at the end of last year, implies that on an earnings basis Waring's offer will not look as generous as the bare 1978/79 figures

Meanwhile, Waring promises something special in its official offer about how it intends funding this deal. It could have to put up cash of £8.4m. That probably means proposals to release funds from Maple's property holdings, with an element of sale-

and-leaseback, if the deal goes through. So while Maple indicated when Waring first started making overtures a few weeks ago that it would nor defend on asset grounds (and at face value with book assets at only 141p this is not surprising) the arguments at the end of the day may indeed centre on property potential and the benefits to be gained from rationalizing two furniture retailing chains so that they can best weather the storms shead.

Smith & Nephew

A mixed picture

Smith & Nephew's 5 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £22.2m was in line with market estimates. So too was the increase But the divisional breakdown reveals some wild fluctuations over the previous year. There were two major problem areas.

Cosmetics where bad weather and the transport strike early in 1979 reduced operating profits to zero compared with £1.5m in 1978. Denim textiles for jeans also took a tumble; margins were sharply squeezed as the weak United States dollar allowed American competition to steal into the European market.

But a solid 16 per cent rise to £11.2m from the main medical and health care division and sparkling results from plastics and tapes more than made up the difference partly due to a first-time contribution from the Anchor acquisition.

The cost of financing the debt-now at £38.4m, or 49 per cent of shareholders' funds is likely to be the main influence on profits in 1980. Smith & Nephew is already expecting slightly higher first quarter profits and, given falling interest rates, chairman, Mr Kenneth Kemp is reasonably confident of showing an increase for the full year. Nevertheless, a fully-taxed p'e ratio of 12 at 75 p and yield of 6.9 per cent

By 1984 the Government will be taking about £15,000m a year in North Sea taxes

Are we squandering our oil riches?

The British Government has a it? The first choice it will have can have then money tree at the bottom of its to make is between spending it measures which directly imgarden. Dominating the proson or using the funds to cut the prove company liquidity in the pects for a medium-term finan-Government's deficit. cial plan are the quite remark-able increases in government decides that the country should revenue from the North Sea spend the money. It basically which will result from increased

oil prices. By 1954 it now seems likely that the Government will be taking something of the order of £15,000m a year in total tax from the North Sea. This is well over twice the figure which emerged from calculations made before the round of oil price increases in 1979.

The Covernment sets the extra revenue for two reasons. The structure of tax in the North Sea is such that it was due, in any case, to obtain about 70 per cent of the revenue from the North Sea by the middle part of the 1980s. But the increase in oil prices increases the profitability of the fields; and the more profitable the fields the higher the proportion going to the Government.

Britain has already messed up the great debate about what to do with oil revenue once. The Labour Government, in its 1978 White Paper on the challenge of North Sea oil, avoided some issues and muddled others. As a result the early years of increas-ing production, during which North Sea oil has had a dramatic effect on our balance of pay-ments, slipped by with no serious discussion about how we

should use the benefits.

They were spent on financing an increasing deficit in our nonoil trading account. We spent a capital asset and bought foreign

consumer goods.

It was easy for the Government to avoid serious thought about what to do with North Sea oil because the money from the North Sea did not actually flow through government hands. At present only about 30 per cent of total revenue goes to the Government; in earlier years the proportion was less. But by 1984 that proportion will be up to 80 per cent. So if the Government wastes the money we will know where the blame lies. What are the options open to

spend the money. It basically has two options—to hand over the revenue in the form of tax or to do the spending itself. The tax cutting strategy is usually thought of in terms of cutting income tax; but the disadvantages of this route are

If one thing is clear about our present situation it is that industry is in trouble and the personal sector, which is dominated by wages and salaries, has done well in recent years in relative terms. Rates of return are so low that the very survival of large parts of our industry must be in doubt. So to hand a further windfall

bonus to the personal sector looks a rather odd thing to do. This applies just as strongly to the proposal by Mr Samuel Brittan and Mr Barry Riley that individuals should be given some kind of North Sea equity. which presumably would be worth cash.

Indeed, if the idea is to trust the people" about how North Sea oil revenue is to be used there seems no reason not to give them the money direct. Suppose that the Government were to say that instead of giving the money to individuals it would give it to industry, through abolishing the National Insurance surcharge, cutting corporation tax and generally reducing the taxation burden industry faces.

This seems a more direct route to follow if the aim is the into the current policy on what determines wages. For the squeeze on companies is not something which is happening by accident. It follows logically

short term would risk provok-ing further inflation. For if this model of wage bargaining is right, unions will merely insist in gerting higher wages to soak up the tax concessions made to the corporate sector by the Government.

Some of the same problems apply to the idea canvassed by the Trades Union Congress, that the money should be used to finance direct intervention and investment in industry by

enable us to focus the spending in those areas of the economy where money could do most

the Government. The attractions are obvious. is the Government's (that is, our) money, so there are strong distributional arguments for ensuring that we all end up owning any assets which are acquired. Such an approach would also, in theory at least,

But the practical problems are also very great. Leaving aside objections of principle to the Government's intervening directly in industry, just how is it to be done and by whom? Advocates of some kind of "North See oil fund" have so far been very unspecific about just which industries it would invest in and how. Certainly none of the existing institu-tions we have could cope with funds on anything like the

All of the above options assume that the Government will spend the money in some form. If it does, the test ought to be whether it contributes to the restoration of our industrial base or is simply oriented saving and rebuilding of our towards getting maximum con-industrial base, but it runs flat sumer satisfaction while the oil lasts. Only the first option can make any sense.

There is an alternative, however, which the Government is

considering seriously. This is from Government policies which to use the extra revenue to run look on it as the way to force down its borrowing, require-companies to make less in ment to zero and even to repay flationary wage settlements. some of its debt by running a lf lack of liquidity is the surplus. The effects of this only form of wage restraint we would be to force British in-



A drilling team at work in the Forties field.

the purchase of United Kingdom gilts either into industrial shares or more probably into the acquisition of overseas assets. What would have to happen is that the United Kingdom

would run a deficit on its capital account and would thus be forced to run a surplus on its current account. Unless this came about through a dramatic devaluation of sterling, which seems unlikely, it is bound to occur through the mechanism That seems to be a way to

vestors to switch funds from worsen the squeeze on British the purchase of United King- industry and not to help it. We would end the period of North Sea oil with more foreign assets but far less British industry.

Whatever alternative the Government is going to adopt, it should start telling us now. Far more important than the details of how much cigarettes go up in next week's Budget is the need to spell out now how the Government intends to use the opportunity of North Sea

David Blake

13.2

Disrupting the tidy world of the Swiss banks It is, for example, impossible

To many people Switzerland's banking industry symbolizes a continuation into the present day of attitudes that have been in retreat elsewhere in Europe since before the First World The banker, like the priest

or the lawyer is seen as enjoying a position of special responsibility in society. It is considered that he can carry out his duties properly only if he has the trust of his clientele, and discretion—summed up in the two words banking secrecy —is intrumental in establishing and maintaining this trust. But for some time the tidy

world of the Swiss banker has been under pressure.
The Swiss Social Democrat Party is pushing strongly to increase the state's tax income from the industry and lift some

rounds the activities of the

The Social Democrats are no mean political force. The party claims to be the country's strongest in terms of membership. It obtained a quarter of the vote at the last federal elections. It is a member of the ruling coalition, with two ministers in the cabinet, including since the beginning of this year Herr Willy Ritschard,

the finance minister.
Since Herr Ritschard became finance minister political attention has refocused on banking. It seems likely that the Social Democrats will make their co-operation with the other ruling parties on the vexed question of meering Switzerland's budget deficit dependent on an agreement to increase the taxes levied on banking.

Furthermore a Social Democrat as finance minister increases the importance of a
people's initiative being
organized by the party which
could result in a referendum

on the issue of the banking revenue authorities for tax Both lines of attack are

as it is feared that they could lead to a loss of foreign business. There have been sugges-tions that taxes should be imposed on foreign notes and bonds and on the earnings from money which foreigners entrust to Swiss banks in fidu-

ciary accounts.

Banking secrecy is a more subtle problem. There is scepticism as to whether the ing to fend off the Social Demo-erat offensive the banks are demonstrating that Swiss banking secrecy is not as compre-hensive as myth would have us believe. Unfavourable comparisons are being made with other banking centres.

in Switzerland is powerful. The numbered account and the correct, but none too curious, Swiss bank manager are supposed to afford a safe haven for the fugitive capital of discredited dictators, the illicit profits of mobsters and racketeers, and earnings that otherwise wholly respectable people would rather not see go to their own tax authorities.

Backing up banking secrecy are the draconian provisions of a law enacted in 1934, when Hitler's agents were at work in Basle, Zurich and Geneva seeking out the bank accounts of German Jews. Any bank official betraying a secret or any third party trying to elicit a secret from a Swiss banker is liable to six months in jail or a fine of up to 50,000 francs. So far 120,000 people have

assessment purposes where evasion is suspected and that equally unwelcome to the banks the Swiss authorities should give legal assistance to other countries seeking information to do with criminal proceedings, rax and currency offences. Herr Rudolf Strabm, a Social Democrat Party executive, is the man behind the initiarive. His aim is to establish fair-

ness at home—by eliminating some of the loopholes through which middle and upper class professional people can evade taxation—and solidarity with socialists abroad. His argument is that Switzerland cannot continue to be an island for fugitive capital and so help to deplete the resources

of developing nations. Herr Strakm admits that the comes from. A special tribunal odds are stacked against his initiative. The government has mull over it and decide whether or not to incocporate it into legislation before it need be put to the people in the form

of a referendum. But he has helped to keep the issue of banking secrecy before the public eye since the scandal that surrounded the discovery in 1977 of the illegal misdirection of foreign investors' funds from the Credit Suisse branch in Chiasso died down.

The debate has heped to dispel some of the myths about banking secrecy.

to open an anonymous account at a Swiss bank. The identity of the holder of a numbered account will be known to officials in the bank, although to fewer than in the case of a normal account.
Since the middle of 1977

Swiss banks have been obliged to follow a code of conduct worked out between the Swiss bankers' association and the national bank determining what sort of money a bank may accept and how banking secrecy should be handled. This code is designed to pre-

vent Switzerland becoming a haven of illegal capital and specifies that banks should make sure who they are deal-ing with and where their money

Even before the code was introduced banks could be obliged to disclose certain types of information to federal and cantonal authorities. But in the crucial area of tax evasion banks are called only to give details of their customers' activities only in cases of deliberate fraud. This usually means forging documents; forgetfulness does not count as

a crime.

The code restrains the banks from aiding their customers in evading capital controls and tax legislation but it states clearly

that the Swis authorities are not in busines to police other people's laws covering currency, fiscal or economic objectives. The only small chink in this

armour is an agreement with the United States affording assistance in tracking down the illicit fruits of "organized crime", grudgingly accepted by the Swiss banking world after the American administration threatened trade restrictions on imports of Swiss clocks and

Although banking secreey may still be too comprehensive for the taste of people like Herr Strahm, his campaign has helped to turn investors' attention to other banking centres that offer a greater degree of discretion. Other countries have not

been slow to step into the area being vacated by the Swiss authorities. Ironically. neighbouring Austria a Social Democrat administration pushed through legislation that enables anybody to open a bank account under a false name. The twentieth century may

have given royalty a difficult time in Europe but the Austrian banking industry can reputedly boast numerous
"Queen Victorias", "Kaiser
Wilhelms" and "Princess
Anastasias" among its clientele.

Peter Norman

Eleveland factpack

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Business Diary: Fare dinkum? • East of Neasden

by Australia's main producer, Broken Hill

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eel strike, entering its Dr Hamed El-Saych, Egypt's week today, is being minister of economy, is here I with more than passing this week to drum up custom and no doubt will be stressing what's being done to improve internal communications.

forming a 150 km-long barrier it also effectively separates two e touch with his basses it also effectively parts of Egypt, in Melbourne about mines BHP may have mines BHP may have should be linked to Singi on the should be linke east by a 2 kilometre turnel (right) being driven under the canal by British contractors Tarmac in a £60m joint venture

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ound within their organ-to see what other eventually be a two-lane high-to see what other eventually be a two-lane high-two see what other eventually be a two-lane high-two should go through the tunnel by the end of the year. Tarmae says that the tunnel,
If km north of Suez, is being driven through blue clay similar to that encountered when

the company worked on the Jubilee tube line in London. Let's hope that those using the Sue: turnel are more peace-ful than some patrons of the week.

o the 1850 sauthown, the careful one of the old shipload of the is confident that appropriate only to Europe's is engaged on six major retted is finding its way to the international Standards non-tidal waterways and jugger-search and development con-Organization, will accept as a naut barges.



Jubilee line who went on the rampage at Neasden station last

Sir Frank Price, chairman of world standard a small control see a turbine at least a the British Waterways Board, tainer already being pushed third more efficient than the the British Waterways Board, tainer aireauly penns pushed best petrol or diesel equivate the latest challenge to Russian sout British canals. Secondly, it looks as if lent by the early 1990s. Penny cultural hegemony. According to an advertisement in Brewers' Brussels will exempt Britain said his company aims to proindustry is cruising towards from some harmonization proposals on manning and hours

capable of up to 70 miles a gallon could be developed for road vehicles using existing technology, or so says Noel Penny, the British engineer who produced Rover's world-beating Jet 1 car in 1950 and the 1965 Le Mans award winning Rover-Penny, now managing direc-

tor of Noel Penny Turbines, also told American motor industry engineers visiting his Coventry plant yesterday: "We have to get much nearer to fuel like those that can be derived from coal if we are to make a real impact on energy stability with progress in the settings.

The American team was led by George Thur, chief of trans-port programmes at the United States Department of Energy which has a £70m programme to develop gas rurbine engines for long-distance buses, trucks, military vehicles and cars. We, on the other hand, have

ported programme although government agencies like the National Gas Turbine Establishment and Harwell do cooperate with Penny. The Government would like

no official government-sup-

He has 200 world patents, and

A small gas turbine engine . BMW, the West German company that makes those rather natty cars, has decided to cancel at the eleventh hour the reopening of the motor museum that is a big public artraction at BMW's Munich headquarters.
The official reason for the abrupt anticlimax after three months' work and expenditure

of nearly 2 million Deutsche marks was that some of the exhibits constituted a fire risk. Other unkinder souls have suggested otherwise.

BMW gave DM100,000 and a free hand in designing the museum to Professor Wilfried Minks, of the Frankfurt Theatre, who set about putting the various exhibits in historical

As BMW has been around for some time it was perhaps only to be expected that the settings should include the decadent night life of the Weimar Republic, the great crash of 1929, Hickor's rise to power, the Second World War and the war

in Vietnam. But it was perhaps a little unkind-or unwise of Professor Mink to exclude the car from his vision of the city of the future. BMW has ways of asking Professor Mink to go back to the drawing board

It is from the pages of a British learned journal that I discover cultural hegemony. According to an advertisement in Brewers' Guardian vodka of "perfect flavour" may be obtained from China National Cereals. Oils & Foodstuffs Import & Export Corporation, Tsingtao, China.

Stock markets

Selective buying helps to halt the slide

After yet another dull start stricted to around £1.16. yesterday, the market made some attempt at a rally and most sectors finished off the hottom following some selec- with Beechams, 1p harder at

Gilts continued to mark time ahead o fthe Budget amid economic and interest-rate ifears, but were generally firmer for

Oils, which had becam the day on a flat note following the overnight setback on Wall St, soon recovered as one or two buyers entered the market. But, while prices were still mostly easier on the day, jobbers were in a fairly optimistic frame of mind on the hope that the recent slide in prices was now beginning to level out. How-ever, fears that the Chancellor will introduce a "windfall rax ", or at least increase petroleum revenue tax, still exist. Golds also showed a general improvement yesterday, growing stronger along with sterling as the day wore on. The

the brake on its recent by improving \$2 to Desnite the continuing fears over the economy following the Honley Group, equities re-mained fairly resilient. This was horne out by a report of an attempted "sell off" by a inhher which did not work and the latest rise in United States

ime rates which bad little So ofter some good selective buying among the leaders, the FT Index recovered to close naly 1.5 off at 431.7, after being

6.5 lower at midday.
Gits appeared to be making some progress with rises of ground 25p throughout the list. But the announcement by Chase Manhattan and Chicago First National of an increase in prime rates to 19 per cent took off some of the glitter. In the end, longs reported gains of about 121p on the day, while in shorts rises were reICI up 2p at 362p, was one share to benefit from the entrance of selected buyers along

Results due out tomorrow from textile machinery maker Stone-Platt may well show a pretax loss of around £1m for 1979 and there are fears in some quarters that the final dividend may be danger. Borrowings are likely to have risen sharply and the shares—down from a 1979-80 "high" of 119 p to 42 p— could go even weaker on the results despite solid asset-

117p. The latter was mainly on consideration of its United States interests which should benefit from the renewed strength in the dollar.

Others to close firm on the day after initial loses included Glaxo at 244p, after 242p, Uni-lever at 425p, Fisons at 274p, Dunlop at 59p and Pilkington at 211p, after 208p.

Lawlex (1) 5.37(2.5)
London Scot Fin (1) 3.2(2.5)
McCleery L'amle (F) 16.8(16.9)
Padang Rubber (F) -(-)
Smith & Nephew (F) 205.0(179.0)
G. Spencer (F) 13.1(13.0)
Strong & Fisher (I) 22.3(16.3)

Trade Indemnity (F) 21.8c(18.8 Tomatin Dist (F) 15.1(12.9) Waring & Gillow (I) 29.8(27.1) Ward White (F) 77.0(69.0) Waterford Glass (F) 0.13(0.11)

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Brooke Bond (I)
R. Clay & Co (F)
Comben Groop (F)
G. H. Downing (F)
Fairclough Cons (F)
W. Goodkind (F)
G. Ingham (F)
Inveresk (F)
Lawter (I)

trated their efforts more on the majors, which finished the ses-sion mostly off the bottom. BP closed all square at 346p, although Shell eased 6p to 352p

and Ultramar 4p to 480p.
The threat of a "windfall tax", or an increase i PRT, continued to weigh heavily on some of the second-liners, with Burmah 7p off at 187p, Tricentrol 6p lower at 258p and Lasmo 5p down at 423p. Siebens was another weak feature ahead of the latest drilling report from its operator, Marathon, with the former diving another 60p to

Active trading continued in Viking, where Mr Bunker Hunt has proposed terms of 450p share in opposition to Sun and Deminex, with the price sliding 35p, before recovering to close only 10p off on the day at 1040p. Others to lose ground included Aran Energy 8p lower at 342p and Premier Cons 4p softer at 51p. North Sea-related shares

remained nervous, fuelled by reports that Occidental planued

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Latest results

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Thomson 38p down to at 391p, Cawoods 9p to 151p, Imperial Continental Gas 2p to 698p and Associated Newspapers 1p to

Despite surprisingly good interim figures, Brooke Bond Leibig remained unchanged at 51p, while the 36 per cent rease in profits and £1.3m cash-call to shareholders knocked Watmoughs 15p

Elsewhere, the profits stand-still at Waring & Gillow wiped 10p from the price at 109p as the pretax loss and passed divi-

the pretax loss and passed divident did not help Stothert & Pitt, down 23p at 85p.

Other companies to receive the "thumbs-down" from the market after reporting included trong & Fisher, 6p to 66p, Fair-clough Construction, 1p to 66p, McLeery L'Aaime, 1p to 11p, Smith & Nephew, 11p to 751p, and Tomatin, 7p to 186p.

Trade Indemnity rose 2p to 185p, but the full-year figures from Waterford Glass came too late to affect the price which

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-(-) 3.6(2.6) 3.66(2.79) -(-) 7.6d(4.55)

About 6m shares in Ward White, also reporting, went through the market yesterday, valued at about £34m, which will go some towards paying or

Bid talk still buoys up Henry Wigfall and Son which fought Comet two years ago. With off contact the gens ago. White full-year profits expected to be around £1.4m against £1.85m. The shares at 245p, down 5p vesterday, are on a fully-taxed p/e ratio of 19. Currys are the latest likely candidate and can easily afford even the £12.7m price tag at the present share

its latest acquisition. The shares eased 1p to 64p.

Further reflection on recent figures from BTR initially wiped 6p from the shares, but they later recovered to close 1p lower at 325p. But James Fisher, which also reported recently, continued to make ground, rising another 3p to 321p. Hep-worth Ceramic, reporting later this week, slid 4p to 97p.

Channel Tunnel encountered profit-taking, ahead of the announcement on a cross-Channel link expected today, with the shares slipping 25p to 200p. Fears that the expected bid for Montague L. Meyer may not now materialise clipped 4p from the price at 108p, while news of a breakdown in talks between Gulf Fisheries and Mr Ferguson-Lacy hit Lourho, down

The general nervousness again spread to the discount houses. where Union Discount dipped To to 363p followed by Jessel Toynbee 3p lower at 54p and Clive Discount, 1p off at 43p. Equity turnover on March 17 was £79.353m (13,321 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Premier Cons, Shell, R.T.Z., BP, GEC, Tricentrol.

Ward White buys US footwear group for £7m

In a major expansionary move, British shoemaker Ward White has almost doubled its size by buying American safety footwear distributor Childs Corporation for £7m. Ward is currently capitalized at £8.9m. The cash comes from a near-£4m share placing in the market, which was carried out resterday morning, and two \$4m bank loan facilities.

On the back of buoyant annual figures Ward's share price held steady despite the 6m share placing, ending the day only a penny lower at 64p. The deal, which has taken some 18 months to finalize, ought to reise Ward's profits by around a third

Outlining the logic of the takeover, Mr Philip Birch,

Ward's deputy chairman and managing director, said that safety standards in the United States, were less demanding than those in Britain and Europe and thus offered more

A further attraction of period the bolin the balance sheet in the balance sheet which final dividend of 41 will be used to expand the giving a total of co. business.

In 1979 pretax profits at year At 64p the shar. Ward rose by a fifth from at three times fully f4.8m to 55.8m on sales a tenth earnings and now vield higher at £77,m. Pretax profits at Childs in the 12 mouths to January 31, 1980 amounted to \$4.4m, an increase of almost 40 per cent on the previous period. Turnover rose from \$37m to

In the year under review margins at Ward's footwear manufacturing division bave

Row Shoemakers and Webb, has held up in is supporting the bosts.

giving a total of 6p, a 50 per cent on the earnings and now yield At the end of last group announced a line American "Mr Wrangh

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Watmoughs to raise £1.3m by rights issue

By Rosemary Unsworth Warmoughs (Holdings), the

printer, publisher and engraver, is raising £1.3m through a one-This offers a 16p discount on the share price which stood at 126p at the close of dealings yester-day, after falling 15p during the day. The announcement was accompanied by Watmough's full year results.

The money raised by the rights issue will be used to fund part of its two-year expenditure plans which commit the group to spending £4.2m in 1980 and Elm in 1981 on new gravure and web-offset equipment to provide additional capacity and expand the group's activities.

The directors said that while the dealers were the control of the c

anticipated cash flow and bank

ceeds will be used to reduce borrowings and save interest charges.

Pretax profits rose by 36 per cent from £1.1m to a new record of £1.5m on a 25 per cent increase on turnover from £10.4m to £13m in the year to

The depreciation rate on plant and machinery has been in-creased from 74 per cent to 10 per cent because of the increased sophistication of print-

ing machinery. The fined dividend has been proposed at 4.23p gross against 1978's 4.073p gross which was paid before last year's one for three scrip issue. With the interim dividend of 1.85p gross, the total is 6:13p gross. The board plans to recommend a total dividend of no

Waterford Glass (r) 0.13(0.1) 11.0(10.0) 2.3(4.0) 4.3(4.0) Watmoughs (F) 13.0(10.4) 1.5(1.1) 28.2(21.5) 3.0d(2.85) 24/4 4.3(4.0) Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net, a Loss. b 9 months. c Premiums written. d Adjusted for scrip issue. Burmah, Consolidated Fields, Beecham and BTR. the developments are within the facilities of the group, the pro- less than -7.14p gross for 1980

Commerzbank and Bayerische Vereinsbank both announced plans for unchanged

dividends vesterday. Commerzbank, one of the big three West German banks, said it was offering an un-changed 1979 dividend of DM 8.50 per DM50 nominal share. A spokesman said that the

payout for shareholders resi-

an almost six-hour meeting, reviewed all aspects of the Saudoz serious concerns as to the proposal in the light of the legality of any such combina-

New members for British

Overseas Trade Board

the-counter market.

to quotation on the Amsterdam solidated Foods Corporation. Stock Exchange although a formal decision on that subject coffee and tobacco and has inhas not been taken, a spokesman

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dent in West Germany would include a tax refund and total DM 13.28

For 1978, Commerzbank de-clared the 8.50 mark dividend previous year, the bank added-

Sandoz bid is rejected

Harry K. Wells, chairman of assets, the interest of its share-McCormick and Company of holders, its relationship with its Maryland, said the company's employees, customers and comshare as "not being in the best concluded the offer was "in-

Wells said the board, in

hoard unanimously voted to munity constituencies. reject a previously reported He said that upon advice of offer from Sandoz of \$37 a investment bankers the board

to the company's prospects." The board was also advised

company's earnings prospects, tion " under anti-trust laws".

shares or 65 per cent of the out-

Douwe Egberts markets tea,

terests in 14 countries. A total

43 per cent of its turnover of

FI2.1bn in 1978-79 was derived

of international operations for Tolltreck International.

Mr Ben Trinkier, managing director of Kuchne & Nagel Air Cargo takes over additional duties for the Swiss parent body, to promote group air cargo sales in East Africa, the Middle East, South Africa, Egypt and Rhodesia. Mr C. M. Amies, until recently a sonior manager with Strudged.

Mr James Milue is now manag-

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Mr Glen John is now director Hall Russell and Company.

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CYCLICAL INDICATORS FOR THE UK ECONOMY The following table is based on the CSO corporate indices of the

Douwe in over-counter list

Douwe Egberts of Amster- "B" shares of Fl10 nominal on dam has announced that it will March 25. offer about 1.3 per cent of its The so-called "B" shares outstanding share capital for total 350,000. A total of 650,000 listing on Amsterdam's over-

ne-counter market. standing share capital is held.

The listing may be a prelude directly or indirectly by Con-

Douwe Egberts will offer FI2.1bn in 1978-79 was der 12.766 certificates of its so-called from non-Dutch activities.

Business appointments

Mr Guy Huntrods, an executive director of Lloyds Bank International; Mr Henry James, public relations adviser to the main hoard of Vickers; Mr J. R. Mayhew-Sanders, chairman and thief executive, John Brown & Company; Mr David Plastow, aroup managing director, Rolls Royce Motors; and Dr N. Brian Smith. a main board director of ICI, are new members of the Fritish Overseas Trade Board. Mr Ian Findlay is to succeed Mr Francis Perkins as chairman of the British Insurance Brokers' Association in the autumn, in a non-executive capacity. Mr Perkins's executive role will be taken up by the appointment of Mr Michael Morris as director general. Mr C. G. Crawford has been appointed a director of Barton and Sons.

Mr John Fieldhouse, managing director of Titan Leisure Group, has been made chairman of Belstaff International. Mr Bryan Miorrall, group managing director, has relinquished the chairman-ship of Belstaff International but remains chairman of Titan Leisure

remains chairman of Titan Leisure Group. Mr Michael Dodson is

now managing director of Belstaff International.

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Mr John Scott has become

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German banks repeat dividends on parent company earnings of DM173m, up from DM159m in

> In Munich, Bayerische Vereinsbank said it plans a 1979 dividend of DM9 on ordinary shares and Dm10.50 for its nonvoting preference shares. Reserves would be increased

Lepetit profit drops Lepetit Spa of Milan, the Italian pharmaceutical company controlled by Dow Chemical of the United States, has shown a net profit of 17.68bn lire

from 1979, down from 22.26bn lire in the previous year.

The board decided that disinterests of McCormick and its adequate and untimely relative tribution of an unchanged dividend of 920 lire for each ordinary share and 1,000 lire

for each preferred share. 6.3 per cent, to 146.5bn lire in 1979. Exports accounted for 67bn lire, up 7.6 per cent from

Matra earnings rise

Engins Matra SA of France. makers of sophisticated civil and military electronics and aerospace equipment, says that its provisional 1979 accounts show a net profit of Fr180m (about £18.4m), up from Fr150.9m in 1978.

The group's 1979 net income (excluding minority interests) estimated at Fr215m against is estimated at Fr215m against Fr155.2m a year before, an in-crease of 38.5 per cent.

Options

was more active yesterday with the total number of contracts

rising from 369 to 597. The options in Courtaulds which

traded 24 contracts currently look cheap and attractive with

the share price at 69p unchanged.

options believe that the boom

in the oils sector may now be

bottoming out as with the number of calls being produced in those stocks, including Burmah and Lonkro. Doubles

Film financing

But dealers in traditional

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Padang Senang Rubber: Pre-tax profit for 1979, £150,000 (£143,000). Total dividend up from 2.33p to 2.85p gross and one-for-one scrip issue proposed.

London Scottish Finance Corp: Pre-tax profit, £350,600 for 26 weeks to January 30 (compared with £375,465 for 27 weeks last year). Turnover rose from £2.51m to £3.22m. Profitability maintained as about same level as last tained at about same level as last ear, despite rise in MLR. Interin dividend raised from (adjusted) to 0.75p gross.

George Spencer: Turnover for 1979, £13.18m (£13.09m). Pretax profit, 5329,000 (£455,000). Total payment, gross, 4.37p (3.97p). S.S. A. P. 15 adopted; comparisons adjusted.

Yearling Bonds: Coupon on this week's batch of local authority bonds raised to 17 per cent, com-pared with 16g per cent last week. Hertfordshire County Council is

Richard Clay: Turnover for 1979 tax profits, £2m (£1.9m), Dividend, 5p (4.28p) gross.

5p 14.28p) gross.
Strong & Fisher (Holdings): Turnover for half-year to December 29 expanded from £16.36m to £22.37m. but pre-tax profits down from £768,200 to £669,600. Interim dividend, 2.97p (3.1p) gross. Waterford Glass: Turnover (Irish currency) for 1979 up from \$166.72m to £135.47m. Pre-tax profits, £11.63m (£10.6m). Total

net payment raised from the equivalent of 1.2p to 1.51p. Group is continuing: to trade "very satisfactorily" so far in 1980. George Ingham: Turnover for 1979 up from £1.49m to £2.27m. Pre-tax profit, £19,000 (against loss of £8,000). Total dividend, 0.35p gross.

Saatchi & Saatchi Co : At the annual meeting, Mr Kenneth annual meeting, Mr Aemeeting (Cill. chairman, reported that management figures indicate the company is again performing well. The board expects another year of "good progress".

"good progress".

Mergers cleared: The proposed mergers between Hawker Siddeley Group and Fasco Industries Inc. between Bendix Corporation and certain assets of Bendix Westinghouse and between Associated Engineering and Societe Industrielle des Coussinets are not to be referred to the Monopolies Commission.

Commission.

Societe Francaise des Petroles BP, a unit of British Petroleum, recorded a net profit of 382m francs for 1979—its first in five years—compared with a loss of 164m francs in 1978. The company will pay a net dividend of 3 francs on "old" shares and 2.44 francs on "new" shares. It will be the first dividend since 1973 when the company paid 3 francs per share.—AP-Dow Jones, Paris.

Comben soars to £5m before tax

A first-time contribution from the first six months of the region of £1.75m to the 1979 true Developments, coupled to current year, chairman Mr N. L. figure. Tricentrol will report Orme Developments, coupled to a change in the year-end, saw pretax profits at house-builders Comben Group soar from a nine-month total of £1.5m to £5m for the year to December 31, 1979. Turnover in the period more than doubled £21.3m to £51m. Although comparisons are

difficult, group chairman, Mr improvement, "but possibly not Leon Roydon, admits that to the extent we have enjoyed volume and profits did rise in the period. Comben completed some 2,000 units in the United Back to dividends Kingdom and is likely to equal that total in the current period. Overseas, the Paris development is continuing to contribute to earnings, while the Algarve site shows signs of coming right

Tomatin pays more on lower profit

Turnover of Tomatin Distillers went ahead from £12.91m to £15.18m, but overheads cut pretax profit from £875,000 to £840,000 in the year to December 31, 1979. Earnings per 25p share are shown to have slipped from 14.07p to 13.46p, while the total gross dividend is being raised from 4.83p to 5.35p.

Current high levels of interest rates are a deterrent to our potential customers for new whisky and if these persist may result in a further decline in profits in 1980," the board warns. Direct exports increased 51 per cent to £1.23m in

Lawtex higher despite heavier interest

In the half-year to December 29, turnover of Lawtex rose by 29.5 per cent to £8.57m. Pretax profits were up from £157,000 to £271,000, after heavier interest of £177,000, against £114,000. But the board believes that the second-half's results will not show a similar improvement. Lawtex, Manchester-based makers of clothing, umbrellas, etc, is lifting the interim dividend from 2.35p to 2.67p gross.

SGB looks for

interim rise Profits of SGB Group, the international construction plant and services concern, would show "useful improvement" in

Clifford-Jones, told the annual meeting. He was less confident about the second half, mainly because of the steel strike. However, he hoped the group would be able to maintain its profits in the second balf, giving it a year of some improvement, "but possibly not

Back to dividends at W. Goodkind Fur manufacturers and distri-

butors, W. Goodkind and Sons, which made a big rights issue last year, reports a pretax profit of £22,000 for 1979, compared with 1978's loss of £3.000. contracted

£524,000 to £422,000. As a result of the issue of 1.2m ordinary shares at a premium last year, group net assets jumped from £47,000 to £319,000 at the end of 1979. A further 953,000 ordinaries were issued at a premium earlier this

Receiver for Malins (Engineers)

A Receiver has been appointed at Malins (Engineers), the Staffordshire-based model steam-engines firm. Established 50 years ago, the company cmstatement said that it was the Receiver's intention that the company should continue to trade for the time bein rand he would try to sell the business as

a going concern. "Demand is good and the products are the only models of their kind made in Britain," the statement said.

Tricentrol car group £2m development plan

Tricentrol car group is spending 52m on development projects at Leeds, Great Yar-mouth, Cheliusford and Hert-

The major part of the automotive division of Tricentrol, it contributed more than two-thirds of the 1978 automotive profit of £2.2m. The car group is expected to contribute in the

In the North, outline planning permission has been granted for a £1.5m project at Leeds for new premises for the Tricertrol Ford main dealership there. Turnover of the car group is

Electrical & Indust **Investment Co**

Pretax income of the Electrical and Industrial Investment Co. (a member of the B.E.T. Group) rose from £771.000 to £1.05m in 1979. Earnings per £1 deferred ordinary share are up from 55}p to 791p, while the net asset value treached £115.17 An interim dividend of 0.07p, at the year-end, c mpared with gross is being paid; the last £106.92 a year earlier: The total ordinary dividend was for 1973. distribution on the deferred stock is being lifted from 47

London & Northern property purchase

to 685p.

Coopers Marshgare (Holdings) and Coopers (Metals) are to buy the freeholds of the principal properties occupied by them and Coopers (Swindon). The buildings are held under lease from Messrs J. Cooper and R. Cooper. The properties are to be acquired for a total of £1.4m, subject to shareholders' approval as both Mr Coopers (the vendors) are directors of London and Northern Group.

The consideration is in accordance with independent valuations; Metals and Swindon are fully owned by Coopers in which United Scrap, a wholly owned offshoot of London and Northern, has a 75 per cent interest.

Chairman calls for total 'freeze'

Inflation is an even worse evil than the present lack of productive investment, says Mr D. P. McCurrach, the retiring chairman of the Alliance Trust in the company's annual report.

He says that a total "freeze
on everything" is needed to curb the inflationary cycle. If this were coupled with a re-vival of personal savings solid grounds for further advances will have been laid.

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management at all les Profit prospects for seems reasonable. T has a valuable stak building boom in Sau It thrives at home in coal-mining, and the division also benef National Coal Board tion ordering.
Moreover, room for bigger dividend will a

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By Philip Robinson Trade Indemnity, t insurance group which booms in bust condit been showing its f Great Uncovered in rooms around the co drum up more busine
"It is never a good sell credit insurance company secretary, w Kent. When things cessful, companies say no need and when the looms, few can afford i are trying to get over panies that every othe their assets are insure

giving an effective 60 increased total of 10.85

Mr C. M. Amies, until recently a senior manager with Standard Telephones & Cables is to be electronics industry adviser to the Midland Bank. Mr Peter Sample has joined the Tecalemit Group as managing director of their electronics activity. Mr Brian Willott, an Under Secretary with the Department of Industry, has been made secretary to the National Enterprise Board. He succeeds Mr John Caines, who is to return to the Department of Trade. were completed in Premier, Town and City and Coral.

Lights ... action ... roll 'em. The City's financial institutions are about to renew their love affair with the glamorous but high-risk film business. ment of Trade.

Mr Studley G. Grinstead is to become deputy chairman and group managing director of Grand Mctropolitan. Mr Erness H. Sharp. Whether it will be a mild flirtation or a committed relationship will be known in about a fortnight when the latest film production company with Mactropolited. Air Ernest H. Sharp, a joint managing director, is to resign.

Mr Alastair A. Dunn has joined the board of Wight Holdings.

Mr Georg Steermer is the new director of finance of Norsk Hydro. its eye on City support holds out the cap for £8m.

Asking for the cash will be Yellow-bill Finance, the money-raising arm of a new company, Yellowbill Productions, run by former investment manager Mr Adrian Scrope and film producer Mr Kent Walvin.
It will finance a British picture,
Biggles, which is hoped to star Dudley Moore fresh from his American suc-

cess in the film 10. Luring the investment trusts, merchant bankers and industrial com-panies back to the bright lights is the consideration that backing a loser can now be offset against tax and reduces what had been a gamble to a calculated risk.

Last August, in response to requests for tax clarification on film financing, the Inland Kvenue issued a statement of practice saying that the ownership of the master negative of a film can be treated as plant and machinery and qualify for 100 per cent capital allowance, which includes the cost of production, develop-

Biggles meets the men from the City



Scrope of Yellowbill Mr Adrian

Before that time, tax was taken only from revenue and backing an un-successful film meant investment

groups would have to bear all the losses themselves. What is tantalizing the City is the return on investment of successful

movies, which can be 200 or 300 per cent. And that is helping to push to the hack of the City's plind the huge sums lost in the 1960s when the approach to film investment was much more casual. It hurts to recollect those day, but

according to some stories one mer-chant bank lost between £8m and film because its control over the financing was not as tight as would be demanded today. Another tells of how a man raised cashto back Lawrence of Arabia-it was dis-covered only later that he didn't even own the film rights.

That experience scared the traditional conservative City away from the film industry for nearly a decade. But in the last two or three years some more enterprising concerns have been tempted in again. About £15m to £20m is thought to have been put up by the City during that time by various bankers and investment

But although there are many ready . to invest, the system of film financ-ing is very much on an ad hoc basis. Much is still carried out on the quality of a given script and with the dark days of ten years ago very much in mind, forward selling of distribution rights has been a prerequisite before money changes

hands.
It is a question of presenting the package in a way the City will understand it." he says.

In Canada, a similar tax clarifica-tion changed that country's film finacing methods. This year its financial institutions are expected to come up with more than C\$200m. At home, merchant bankers Guinness Mahon started investing directly or arranging finance for films three years ago. Although coy about how much they are putting up, they say last year the yarranged or put cash into eight to ten films with total budgets of £25m. Two big successes have been The Wild Geese and The Sea Wolves. Up to now, says the bank, all its involvement has been

successful. "We haven't lost any money yet."

Even so film backing is a very fragmented business and it is difficult to establish a comprehensive list of those who are willing to put money up front. Among investment trusts

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Eberts. He started the group five ago and finances the script and film package before going City, and raised £1.2m for We Donon. In all the group has about fom from City sour.
Mr Eberts, who also found:
York's International Film In company, which has \$40m at says: "It has taken a long get to this stage. I think the

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liquidity, which could for 40 per cent of asset

The sales drive, which around a year ago, premium income last group's pre-tax profits. yesterday, rose from £4.7m. The figure includes on the three-year unde

account started in £3.03m against £2.4m l Trade Indemnity is t gross final dividend on capital, enlarged v year's one-for-one scr

"There are certainly mo a handful of people willing films," said Mr Scrope. "I car you my mailing list but it is e and no one I have talked to has said outright that they want to know."

for that was put together by G. Films—owned by publishers. Longman and Electra House ments-and run by Canadian !

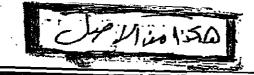
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NCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

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v L'Amis, fhe Nor-and textile and carp, seems determined idends through thick in only two of the years has it made money, and in four group lost money. for inflation, the ld look much worse. as never missed an vidend, and in 1979 in carpets and tex-nued with McCleery losses before tax of against profits of

gressive withdrawal of employment subside ip either. In 1976, and ucceeding years the were respectively 471,000 and £557,000. x credits allow the show attributable ner f £133,000 against fter charging "extra-tems" of £1.2m to rernings a share fell to 1.04p but a final f 0.3p makes the total

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e now must be for an ecovery in the rumo and textiles (though they will together not break even) and eery L'Amie to be as a property com-properties were pro-valued as at Decem-d the balance sheet £2m boost in value, e of these could be anwhile the shares to 11p yesterday.

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Wall Street

New York, March 18.—The stock market turned mixed in active trading this morning after a weak opening. Popular averages rose but declines led advances seven to five.

Many of the issues hard hit in sesterday's self-off showed good gains this morning, including the oils and precious metals. Among the actives, Galf Oil rose 1 to 332, Mobil 12 to 704 and Texaco 1 to 332.

Asa Ltd added 2 to 402, Dome Mines 12 to 56, Hecla Mining 2 to 264 and Handy and Harman 2 to 331. Bank America tacked on 1 to 211.

March 17: The Dow Jones Indus-

March 17: The Dow Jones Indus-trial average closed 23.04 points down at 788.65.

Silver dips below \$20

New York March 17.—COMEX SILVER futures dropped below the benchmark price of \$20,00 an ounce for the last time this year in a dramatic response in Prosident Carter's anti-inflame measures. March. 170,00-178,000: April. 236,200: May, 290,600: July, 297,500: Sopil. 304,700: March. 520,806 May, 286,200: July, 231,600

The Wall Street and Canadian stock prices given in the table relate to Monday's close. Later publication is caused by the change to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight Time begins in the United States.

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Commodities

Discount market

Although the fight money tun-ditions persisted yesterday houses were able to pick up funds reasonably cheaply because of the reserve assets position with the approach of the "third Wednesday," make-up day for the benks.
While overnight money interbank
commanded around 17 per cent for
much of the session, houses paid
in the region of 161-1 per cent

in the region of 161-1 per cent generally.

Towards the finish, houses even attracted funds as low as 15 per cent, although most balances were taken in a band of 151-16 per cent. This was after the Bank of England had assisted on a moderate scale. A small amount of Treasury bills was bought from both houses and the banks, while a small quantity of corporation bills was purchased direct from the houses. In addition, the authorities lent a moderate sum overnight to three or four houses at 17 per cent MLR.

Balances were slightly below target overnight and there was a moderate number of local authority bills maturing in official hands.

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33	Armitage & Rhodes	240	+Ž	13.8	5.7	*7.8
.85	Bardon Hill	83	-3	15.3	18.4	
83	County Cars Pref			5.0	5.3	10.
63	Deborah Ord	94		7.9	7.8	6.
88	Frank Horsell	101		12.8	13.1	*4.
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Foreign exchange report

pound closed 0.2 up at 72.4 after 72.1 at the outset. The dollar see-sawed yesterday as profit-taking developed behind Monday's big gains, and after The D.mark received more supshowing modest losses during midafternoon, tended to harden late

The D.mark received more support from the Bundesbank, though dipping to 1.8830 at one stage before ending little changed at 1.87325 (1.8750) against the dollar. Other europeans clawing back a little of recent sharp dollar losses included Swiss francs, 1.77125 (1.7885), but French franc, 4.3725 (4.3700) went in the opposite direction. The yen closed at 248.525 (prev 249.30). on the record 19 per cent prime rates. Sterling had a satisfactory session, easing initially before advancing to 2,2020 against the dollar, and finally ending at 2,1948, up 90 points on Monday night's 2,1850. On a trade-weighted basis the

Sterling Spot and Forward



Sterling: Other **Dollar Spot** Markets Rates

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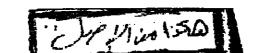
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This, in fact, is a pair of adjoining cottages built mainly of colour-weshed brick with slate and pantiled roofs. The main cottages has two reception rooms, a good cellar, a study or fourth bedroom, a large kitchen and a cloakroom on the ground floor, with three bedrooms

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rm guests or, if The Mount, in Ram Lane, re at a low level, Hothfield, near Ashlord, · Kent, although at a price of

In the main part of the house there are two reception rooms, three bedrooms and a separate suite consisting of a bed sitting room and its own shower room. Additionally, there is a cottage annexe with a sitting room, double bedroom, bathroom and kitchen.

The interior of the house has retained many of its period features including exposed beams and inglebe said for a main a sirring room, kitchen, and nook fireplaces. Outbuildings h either a self-con- two bedrooms and a bath- include stabling and there tion or an adjacent room on the first floor, giv. are four paddocks totalling cottage which can ling completely self-contained about 10; acres, plus an acre accommodation. The whole of gardens. The agents are Ashendens, Ashford.

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Boyden Paddock, near Newmarket, a lot of space from three

room used as a nursery, common in the market, but seven bedrooms and three often do not offer really ex-

large sitting room and three bedrooms. Outbuildings are extensive and include a double garage and storage sheds. The garden extends to about one acre and has a heated swimming pool. The

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tensive accommodation. An The cottage, to the north interesting variation on the east of the house, has a usual theme is Boyden Paddock, at Wickhambrook, near Newmarket, which seems originally to have been three cottages.

The property probably has early seventeenth century origins and is a fine example agents are Lane Fox and of its type, built on a timber framework with stud and plaster walls under a verted from a pair of agriare two listing as being of

special architectural istoric interest.

The three cottages have ogether produced a surprisngly spacious house with four reception rooms, five bedrooms and two bath- floor, it was converted some rooms. Gardens and grounds eight or nine years ago from include an orchard and a stabling. Much of its conpaddock and extend to about 13 acres. The price is £65,000 and the agents are Jackson-Stops and Staff, Newmarket.

An example of one of those pleasant country houses with ancillary accommodation and ceiling, a study, a guest bedouthouses clustered round a room and bathroom suite and courtvard is Upper Farm, at Little Posbrooke, near Titchwith a thatched roof.

rooms. Among the buildings with a changing room. around the courtyard is a all, there is about one acre property extends to some of land. For private sale or auction later in the year, the £150,000 are being asked property is expected to make through Weller Eggar, Guild-£90,000 between £100,000. The agents are Hoar, Whiteheads, Southampton.

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two other bedrooms. Upstairs, there is the field, Hampshire. The main main bedroom and bathroom house is believed to date for suite and a further bedroom. the most part from the late Outside, there is a large 1500s and is of brick and double garage with a playtimber frame construction room or studio above it, and a feature of the garden is a It has three reception large heated swimming pool rooms, a study and four bed-surrounded by paving and

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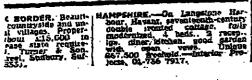
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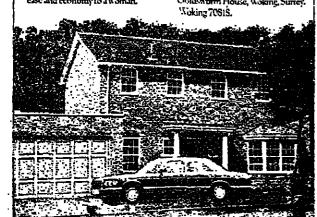
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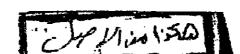
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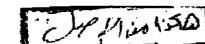
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stechnical data that covers the silicon chip revolution. se lively and likeable elucidators in Tomorrow's nother potentially closed book for the non-scientifically Mr Falk speaks in the language of Everyman, and avens for that. The Silicon Factor (BBC 2, 7.40) is the ree programmes about micro-electronics: what do now, what they will be capable of in the future. swonders reach their apogee in the fantastic computers the megaton passions of last week's opening episode, with adultery and ending with murder, Thérèse Raquin 9.00) settles down to more heavily psychological for the two guilty lovers, the nightmares of conscience to begin. I was not able, in my brief preliminary s last week (which were, in any case, penned while I soellbound by Kate Nelligan's Thérèse), to praise hing photography of Peter Hait and Patrick Gowers's live and mood-enhancing music. Irst Question, which is the title of tonight's report by illiams in his Open Secret series (BBC 1, 9.25) is, ly, are we born with our sexual identity intact, or do we'. The question is prompted, fascinatingly, by the case y boy whose penis was accidentally burnt off when ust a few months old. His parents were advised to his sex, to regard him as a girl and bring him up the female, sically at least, the male child had become a female. 9.30 am For Schools: Politics (toleration, violence, law); 9.52 My World (shapes); 10.10 How we Used to Live (Victorian etiquette); 10.33 French (French cafés); 11.34 Stop, Look, Listen (electricity, gas); 11.16 Finding Out (the Rhine); 11.36 Documentary Re-Run (Japan's economy). gly. Ten years later, sex researchers reported that, gically at least, the male child had become a female. ou may think, that Charlie Nairn's film about something ular, The Peking Ballet Company, should be called hich ought to be about something in general (ITV,

is not at all odd, because this documentary sees ballet meter of the nation's changing political climate, liberation fervour of Maoism 30 years ago and the anti-revisionism of the Cultural Revolution and the anti-revisionism of the Curtural Revolution and the Four (many dancers were sent to labour in the fields or ang) to the more liberal policies of today which wan Lake and like ballets to be danced for the first

6 years.
; got his two-volume autobiography out of his system, and has written a novel, which probably explains are guest on both the Parkinson show tonight (BBC 1, in in Woman's Hour (Radio 4, 2.02). Viewers who wed by the exquisite Songs of the Auvergne, sung by ican mezzo-soprano Frederika von Stade in a recent BBC ie, may like to hear another soprano, Fiona Dobie, in today's concert by the BBC Scottish Symphony (Radio 3, 11.20 am). ı (Radio 3, 11.20 am).

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5.40 News: with Kenneth Kendall.
5.55 Nationwide: The exortic life in

the waters off Britain's coastline, from the Isle of Man to the Eddys-

tone Reef. 6.55 Film; Maneaters are Loose l Made-for-television thriller about an American town

terrorised by two hungry Bengal tigers. With Tom Skerrit and Steve

Forrest, 8.30 Potter: An unhappy day for Rodney Potter (David Troughton), a pop group promoter, when his father (Arthur Lowe) and friends

BBC 1

by Elizabeth and Geraio Rose; 4:20
The Eackyard, Caught in the Act;
4:25 Jacksnory, Paul Copley reads
Gillian Cross's The Runaways; 4:40
Take Hart, Tony Hart's foil elephant: 5:00 Newsround, with Paul
McDowell; 5:10 God's Wonderful
Railway, serial about the old
GWR. 6.40 am Open University: Educating the workforce; 7.05 Baroque wind instruments; 7.30 Maths. complex functions. Closedown at

9.05 For Schools, Colleges: Engineering craft studies: 9.35 Exploring Science (soil): 9.58 Let's (for mentally handicapped); 10.12 Words and Pictures; 11.02 Science all Around (rain). 11.25 you and Me; a e i o u. 11.40 Schools and Colelges; History (Pax Romana); 12.05 pm Language and People, part 10 (r). Closedown at

12.45 News and weather. 12.45 News and weather.

1.00 Pebble Mill. at One: More Indian dishes, prepared by Lalita Ahmed. 1.45 Playboard.

2.01 Schools. Colleges: Watch—Dinosaurs (2); Z.18 Near and Far (the Alps); 2.40 Commanicate! (a short story). Closedowd at 3.00.

3.55 Play School: The Great Oak.

BBC 2

THAMES

6.40 am Open University: Systems, boundaries and biases: 7.05 Woodland decomposers; 7.30 Movement of substances in plants. Closedown 10.20 Gharbar: For Asian women.

Everything from music to sewing and cookery hints. Closedown at 10.45.
11.00 Play School: Same as BBC1,
3.55. Closedown at 11.25.
4.50 Open University: Genetics:
Meiosis; 5.15 The Nature of chemistry; 5.40 Classical Greece (the theatre); 6.05 Concorde case study
(3): 6.30 Looking at poems.
6.55 The Master Game: The tenth game in this BBC tournament. It is between Viktor Korchnoi and Britain's Michael Stean.

12.00 Adventures of Rupert Bear:

pay a call.

9.00 News: with Kenneth Kendall.

9.25 Open Secret: The First Question. The extraordinary story of a hard of hearing. 7.35 Cartoon: Osvaldo Cavandoli's 7.35 Cartoon: Osvaloo Cavandor sanimated short La Linea.
7.40 The Silicon Factor: First of three programmes about the micro-electronic revolution, presented by Bernard Falk. The chips are seen in action in everything from a toy car to the home of a Chicago millionaire (see Persented Scholer).

Chicago millionaire (see Personal Choice).

8.25 Arena: Working at It. A profile of Alan Blesdale, the Liverpool playwright whose television output includes The Black Stuff and Scully's New Year's Eve.

9.00 Therese Raquin: Episode 2 of Philip Mackie's adaptation of Zola's passionate story about murder and conscience. With Kate Nelligan and Brian Cox as the

10.00 News. 10.05 Gardeners' Question Time. 10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Once Upon an Ice Age (3). twin boy who was sexually reas-signed to become a girl. Peter Williams is the reporter. 11.00 News. 11.05 Baker's Dozen. 9.55 Sportsnight: Highlights from one of tonight's vital football 9.55 sportsment: Highlights from one of tonight's vital football games in the European cup. It could be Nottingham Forest v Dynamo Berlin, Celtic v Real Madrid, or Arsenal v Gothenburg in the Cup Winners' Cup. 12.00 News. 12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.27 Plays: Top Tomato ; Only the 10.55 Parkinson: with Dirk Bogarde, definitely, and Diana Rigg and Barbara Woodhouse as 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today.

6.30 Today.
7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Hoadlines.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
9.00 News.
9.05 Mid-Week.

Lonely. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One. 1.40 The Archers.

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5.55 Weather. 6.00 News. 6.30 My Music.†

7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers.

9.30 Kaleidoscope

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s.to News. 3.02 Listen With Mother 3.15 Play: Golden Wedding, by

7.29 Checkpoint. 7.45 Robert Atkins (1886-1972):

10.00 The World Tonight 10.30 The Life and Times of the

6.50 am Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. 9.05-10.30 Schools: History in Evi-

Orchestro (6).† 11.00 A Book at Bedtime. 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

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4.45 Story: While He's Away. 5.00 PM.

11.55 News headlines and weather. Regions

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Ysgollon. 5.10 pm Billdowcar. 5.55
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weather: Scotland: 12.40 pm Scotlish
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3.53 pm Northern Ireland News. 5.55
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England: 5.55 pm Regional Magazines.
12.00 midnight Close.

7.25 News: with sub-titles for the murderers and Mona Washbourne murderers and Mona Washbourne as the unsuspecting mother (see Personal Choice).

9.55 I Hear You Calling Me: The songs that the Irish tenor John McCormack made famous—or, the songs that made him famous. Sung by the American tenor Robert White. His guests, both with McCormack links, are the violinist Schlomo Mintz and soprano Suzanne Murphy.

10.45 Newsaight: News and current affairs, with a bulletin at 11.15 approximately.

11.30 Open Door: The Rydevale Community Nursery, and how it lightens the load of so many young, working mothers.

12.00 Closedown: Susanne Knowles's The Geologist is read by Rosalind Shanks.



mentary China (ITV, 10.30) reads from sermons. er ter er flyske plant er flysteringelle by flyskelige for i en en er blekelig

the Setback family, and how they learn about their rights in society and at work: today, coping with redundancy. 6.35 Crossroads: Why Jill Harvey

is upset.

7.00 This is Your Life: Eamonn
Andrews strikes again, in the
nicest possible way.

7.30 Coronation Street: Big night
out for Annie Walker; and Dan the
lorry driver gets some advice about

8.00 The Lee Saver Show: The pop star with his guests, the American singer and songwriter Janis Ian, the Hot Gossip Dancers, and mime

9.00 ITV Playhouse: The Lady. Susan Jameson, Kim Braden and Brigitte Kahn in Judy Raines's emotional play about women at a London abortion clinic.

10.00 News.
10.30 China: Ostensibly the story of the Peking Ballet Company but, more significantly, this documentary describes the dramatically changing fortunes of China itself in the past 30 years (see Personal Choice).

Choice).

11.30 Thames Arts: Arts round-up, concentrating tonight on the plight of London's theatres.

11.45 Spoorer's Patch: Police station comedy with Ronald Fraser. What happens when the mayor goes on holiday.

12.15 am Close: Leslie Crowther reads from one of John Donne's sermons.

RADIO

11.00 Study on 4: Sur le vif(19). 11.30-12.10 pm Open University: Cognitive Psychology; Control of Education.

Radio 3 6.55 am (mw only) Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records: Wagner, Maxwell Davies, Smetana.† 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Mendelssohn, Beethoven (op 30 no 3-Kreisler/Rachmaninov), Parish-Alvars.†

9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer: Holst. 10.00 Organ: Liszt.†
18.30 Quartet (Endellion): Beethoven (op 18 no 4), Hoddingt, 11.20 BBC Scottish SO/Rattle, pt

1 : Blake, Canteloube.† 12.05 pm Interval reading. 12.10 BBC SSO, pt 2: Sibelius (Sym 2). 1.06 News. 1.05 Violin, piano (live from

Broadcasting House): Ravel, Faure, Milhaud, Debussy, Ravel, 2.00 Music Weekly † 2.50 BBCSO/N. Cleobury: Patterson (Requiem).† 3.45 Plano: Haydn, Prokofiev.† 4.20 Aspect of the Blues (6). 4.55 News: . 5.00 (mw and mone only from

6.20 Music for early evening.† 7.00 Talk (Warrack): Weber, father of Romanticism.
8.00 Academy of St Martin/Marriner (live from Festival Hall), pt 1: Britten, Mozart (Sym 38).†
8.50 Six Continents: world news. 9.10 Academy, pr 2: Vaughan Williams, Beethoven (Sym 2).† 10.10 Scientifically Speaking. 10.55 Quartet (Orlando): Dvorak, Beethoven (op 59 no 3).† 11.55-12.00 News. 9.05-10.30 Schools: History in Evidence: Advanced Studies—English; Poetry Corner; Music Makers; Something to Think About.
10.45-12.00 Schools: The Music Box; By the People, For the People; Inquiry; Quest.
2.00 pm-3.00 Schools: Movement and Drama I; Books, Plays, Poems; Nature.

VHF VIII 6.00 am-7.00 Open University: The Growth of Public Expenditure; Ferro-Concrete; Modern European 6.20 pm-7.00 Open University: Butty Langley, the Roots of Change.

Radio 2

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5.00 am News, weather, 5.03 Ray
Moore, 7.32 Terry Wogan, 10.03
Jimmy Young, 12.03 pm David
Hamilton, 12.03 Ed Stewart, 4.03
Much More Music, 15.00 News,
5.05 Waggoners' Walk, 5.20 Much
More Music, 16.03 Derek Hobson, 17.02 European Soccer Special, 9.00
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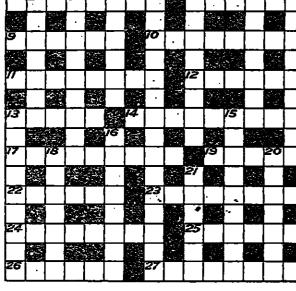
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10 You once, George, made 7 Worker drinks wine, the wee brute 1 (7).

12 Macavity, say, in place of a plg? Crazy! 161.

13 Send the man with the stop-watch back (5).

15 What's kept under your hat? (3, 6).

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25 item of regalia in the a Biblical gift (6).
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